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OF

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Of

Columbus, North Carolina

Meeting With

PEA RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

October 22, 1981

Rev. John Godfrey, *Moderator*

Mrs. William Painter, *Clerk*

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DIRECTORY OF THE POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. John Godfrey
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. Houston Moses
Clerk ..... Mrs. William Painter
Treasurer ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Historian ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Parliamentarian ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Director of Missions ..... Rev. M. R. Simpson

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

Sunday School* ..... Rev. Bill Pate
Church Training* ..... Rev. Bill Painter
V.B.S. Director* ..... Mrs. Melba Gregory
W.M.U. Director* ..... Mrs. Roena Smothers
Brotherhood Director* ..... Mr. Jerry Padgett
Music Director* ..... Mrs. Charlene Pate

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Bill Pate
Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Baptist Foundation ..... **Mr. Jack Jolley**
Baptist Homes for Aging ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Baptist Student Union ..... Mrs. Loretta Vance
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Benson Hodge
Christian Education ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Christian Literature ..... **Mrs. Donald Byrd**
Christian Stewardship and
the Cooperative Program ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions ..... Rev. Arthur Smith
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
Radio and T.V. Commission ..... Rev. Wesley Price
North Carolina State General Board ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

**Previously approved by Association Executive Committee*

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Fred Rhodes, Chairman
Mr. Leroy McCraw
Rev. Steve Hardin

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK ASSOCIATION

Pea Ridge Baptist Church - October 22, 1981

Our call to worship, "We Are Called To Be God's People", which was also our theme song, was led by Mrs. Charlene Pate, Associational Music Director.

Rev. John Rogers led us in scripture and prayer. The scripture he used was Matthew 10:29 and John 2:23-24.

We were then welcomed by the host pastor, Rev. Steve Hardin.

The Declaration of the 12th Annual Program was given by Rev. John Godfrey, Moderator, followed by the adoption of the program by Rev. Houston Moses, Vice Moderator.

Rev. M. R. Simpson, Director of Missions, presented the Book of Reports.

The following visitors and new pastors were introduced by the Moderator:

Hugh Starnes - Baptist Homes For Aging
Wesley Price - New pastor at Midway
Benson Hodge - New pastor at Pleasant Grove
John Rogers - New pastor at Faith
John Edwards - New pastor at Hickory Grove

Rev. Godfrey expressed his appreciation for the new pastors.

The business session was opened with the presentation of the Associational Budget by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. The Annuity report followed given by Rev. Bill Pate. Rev. Pate urged the churches to participate in the plan.

The Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter Report was given by Mr. Leroy McCraw. Rev. Luther Osment, Director of the Children's Homes in the Asheville area, spoke about the needs of the children. He stated that only 24% of the children in the homes were orphans, 24% had one living parent, and 72% of the children had both parents living. Rev. Osment spoke of the three main fears of the children. 1 - fear of mutilation, 2 - fear of desertion, and 3 - fear of not being loved.

Rev. Hugh Starnes spoke about the Baptist Home for the Aging. He expressed appreciation for the produce that had been received and also the two wheel chairs from Polk - one from Columbus and one from the Polk Baptist Association.

The Baptist Hospital report was given by Rev. William Painter. He expressed appreciation for our Baptist Hospital and what it has meant to his church.

Due to the absence of Mr. Jack Jolley the Baptist Foundation report was given by the Moderator.

There was an adoption of these reports with a second.

The congregation then joined in singing "The Solid Rock" led by Mrs. Pate. Then Mrs. Pate sang "Jesus Is The Cornerstone".

Following this inspirational message in song the Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev. George Lynch, pastor of Big Level Baptist Church. Rev. Lynch spoke from John 21:1-16 on the love life of a Christian. He reminded us that Christian love is real. A Christian loves God. A real Christian

loves prayer. A real Christian loves the church. A real Christian loves to give to the church and missions. A real Christian loves his Heavenly home.

Following a ten minute break Rev. Simpson spoke. He told of the video-tape machine in the office and mentioned some of the needs of the Association. He reminded us of the Associational Revival to be held October 25-28. He also reminded us not to take members off the church Sunday School rolls as they are prospects.

The American Bible Society report was given by the Moderator in the absence of Rev. Herman Bright.

The Christian Education report was given by Mrs. Helen Godfrey. Rev. Houston Moses added a few challenging remarks and encouraged us to visit Gardner-Webb College.

The Baptist Student Union report was given by the Moderator in the absence of Mrs. Loretta Vance.

The Christian Action League and Christian Literature reports were given by Mrs. Donald Byrd and Rev. Coy Privette. Rev. Privette brought us up to date on the legislation that is passed and the bills that are pending.

The following mission reports were given: Christian Stewardship by Rev. George Lynch. State Missions report by Rev. Arthur Smith. Rev. Smith stressed that he would like to see $5000 next year in the place where we had $3400 this year for State Missions. There were no reports given for Home and Foreign Missions.

At this time Rev. Simpson gave us a demonstration of our new video equipment. He also reminded us of the simultaneous revival to be held April 25-May 8, 1982.

Next we heard the reports from the different organizations. First, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, our Associational Sunday School Director, urged us to work more next year in Sunday School and challenged us to give our help to Rev. Bill Pate who will be Sunday School Director for next year.

We then heard from our Church Training Director, Rev. Bill Painter. He expressed appreciation to all the churches who have Church Training and those who do not, were urged to begin a program. Rev. Painter announced that "M" night would be at Tryon Second Church on Monday night, November 23rd.

No Brotherhood report was given.

The W.M.U. report was offered for adoption by Mrs. Roena Smothers, Associational W.M.U. Director.

Our Music Director, Mrs. Charlene Pate, gave her report and offered her help to any church needing it.

Mrs. Lee Gregory gave the Vacation Bible School Report. Once again we were 100% in having Bible Schools in all of our churches.

Mrs. William Painter, Associational clerk, gave the report of the Executive Committee and also expressed appreciation for the hard work done by the clerks. She also announced that Pacolet Hills was the first church to get in their letter.

The Fourth Quarterly financial report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley, Associational treasurer.

The Committee On Committees Report was given by Rev. Lee Gregory. This was followed by the report of the Nominating Committee There was a motion made that we accept the report of the Nominating Committee-seconded. Voted to accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee.

The Historian Report was given by Mrs. Miriam Arledge who gave us a brief history of the Pea Ridge Baptist Church.

The congregation joined in the singing of "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus".

The Time, Place, and Preacher Report was given as follows: Our 13th Annual Meeting will meet at the Faith Baptist Church on October 21, 1982. The preacher will be Rev. Lee Gregory, pastor of Silver Creek Baptist Church.

Rev. Houston Moses gave the report of the Evangelism Committee and urged us to make evangelism our #1 priority.

The Associational Missions Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw.

Our Memorials were beautifully presented by Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Mrs. Helen Godfrey, and Mrs. Charlene Pate in song and poetry.

A prayer of Thanksgiving was offered for the evening meal, and the 12th Annual Meeting adjourned until the evening session.

EVENING SESSION

After a delicious meal served at the Pea Ridge Community Club House, we convened for our evening session.

We were called to order by singing "Blessed Assurance" followed by Scripture and prayer led by Rev. Wesley Price, Pastor of Midway Baptist Church.

Special Music was presented by the Peniel Quartet who sang "Heaven For Me".

Our business session was called to order and the following business was transacted: Rev. Arthur Smith was recognized and spoke concerning Fruitland Bible Institute.

There was a call for additional business: Rev. Bill Pate, Chairman of Constitutional changes, presented the following amendment: That members of a committee serve on a rotating basis. The motion was made to accept this and it was seconded.

The adoption of the reports was approved by voting aye.

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was read by the Moderator.

The Moderator recognized the newly organized Long Range Planning Committee. Rev. Lee Gregory was the only member present.

We were blessed by the singing of the Associational Choir under the direction of Mrs. Charlene Pate.

Rev. Floyd Tidsworth, Jr. Director of Missions for West Virginia, was introduced and presented Mountain State 200. Rev. Tidsworth shared some of the goals that West Virginia and North Carolina will strive to achieve as

partners. By 1985 200 new congregations, hopefully, will be started. 60% of all the churches in West Virginia are sponsoring a new work there or have voted to do so.

Rev. John Edwards announced that there would be a Memorial Service for Rev. Bill Hodge on Sunday afternoon at 3 P.M., November 1st. A portrait of Rev. Hodge will be placed in the vestibule at Hickory Grove Baptist Church as this new addition is dedicated to his memory.

Rev. John Godfrey presented our message of CHALLENGE from Numbers 32:4-23—"Be Sure Your Sins Will Find You Out." Rev. Godfrey brought out some of the prevalent sins today such as: (1) Borderline living-How DEEP are we in TOTAL COMMITMENT? (2) Limited vision-Can we see our POTENTIAL? (3) Self-Will-Are we at ease just to do what we are doing now or will we determine to PRESS ONWARD? We feel that all listening were challenged and determined to move AHEAD WITH A GREATER VISION THAN EVER BEFORE!

The evening session closed with a prayer of dedication for our new slate of officers followed by the benediction.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. William Painter,
Associational Clerk
Polk Baptist Association

PROGRAM FOR THE
TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING-POLK ASSOCIATION

Our Theme Song: *"We Are Called To Be God's People"*

2:00	Call To Worship "We Are Called To Be God's People	Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. Music Director for Association
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. John Rogers
	Welcome-Host Pastor	Rev. Steve Hardin
2:15	Declaration of 12th Annual Program	Rev. John Godfrey
	Adoption of Program	Rev. Houston Moses
	Presentation of Book of Reports	Rev. M.R. Simpson
	Introduction of New Personnel and Visitors	Moderator
2:25	Business Session	
	Associational Budget	Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
	Annuity	Rev. Bill Pate
2:35	Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter	Mr. Leroy McCraw
	Baptist Home For The Aging	Rev. Steve Hardin
	Baptist Hospital	Rev. Bill Painter
	Baptist Foundation	Mr. Jack Jolley
3:00	Adoption of Reports	
	Hymn No. 96 "The Solid Rock"	Mrs. Pate
	Special Music	
3:15	Annual Sermon	Rev. George Lynch
3:45	Break (10 Minutes)	
3:55	Hymn No. 276 "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"	
4:00	American Bible Society	Rev. Herman Bright
	Christian Education	Mrs. Helen Godfrey
	Baptist Student Union	Mrs. Loretta Vance
	Christian Literature	Mrs. Donald Byrd
	Christian Action League	Mr. John Lynch
4:20	Missions—Christian Stewardship	Rev. George Lynch
	State Missions (Video-Tape)	Rev. Arthur Smith
	Home and Foreign Missions	Mrs. Judy Arledge
4:45	Reports of Organizations	
	Sunday School	Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
	Church Training	Rev. Bill Painter
	Brotherhood	Mr. Jerry Padgett
	W.M.U.	Mrs. Roena Smothers
	Music	Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr.
	V.B.S.	Mrs. Lee Gregory
5:00	Executive Committee Report	Mrs. William Painter
5:05	Finance Report	Mrs. Jack Jolley
	Committee on Committees Report	Rev. Lee Gregory
5:15	Nominating Committee	Rev. Fred Rhodes

5:20 Historian ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
5:25 Hymn No. 284 "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus" ..... Mrs. Pate
5:30 Time, Preacher, Place Report ..... Mr. Ray Skipper
5:35 Evangelism ..... Rev. Houston Moses
5:40 Association Missions Report ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
5:45 Memorials ..... Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw
6:00 Break for the Evening Meal

EVENING SESSION FOR THE TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING-POLK

Our Theme: *"Here's Hope!"*

7:00 Hymn No. 120 "Blessed Assurance" ..... Mrs. Pate
7:05 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Wesley Price
Special Music
7:15 Mountain State 200 ..... Rev. Floyd Tidsworth Jr.,
Guest Speaker-Director of Missions-West Va.
7:45 Business (Additional and Unfinished)
Adoption of Reports and Program
7:55 Resolutions ..... Mrs. Larry Stott
8:00 Polk Baptist Associational Choir ..... Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr., Director
8:30 Message of Challenge ..... Rev. John Godfrey
Benediction-Prayer of Dedication
of new officers
Adjourn until October 21, 1982 at Faith Baptist Church

Our Theme Song *"We Are Called To Be God's People"*

We are called to be God's people, Showing by our lives His grace;
One in heart and one in spirit, Sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how He has changed us, And remade us all His own,
Let us share our life together, As we shall around His throne.

We are called to be God's servants, Working in His world today,
Taking His own task upon us, All His sacred words obey.
Let us rise then to His summons, Dedicate to Him our all,
That we may be faithful servants, Quick to answer now His call.

We are called to be God's prophets, Spokesmen for the truth and right;
Standing firm for Godly justice, Bringing evil into light.
Let us seek the courage needed, Our high calling to fulfill,
That mankind may know the blessing, Of the doing of God's will.

Polk Baptists, you are a GREAT PEOPLE! Let's have HOPE for a GREATER year ahead! Thank you for coming! Good night! May God go with you and bless you one and all!

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N. C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches. The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office

as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V – ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nomination committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI – COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of $1.50 each.

SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs for the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.

2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association..

Article I - RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules or Order.

Article II - PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer, and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

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SECTION VIII. Superintendent of Missions:

PART I. Duties: The Superintendent of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary dutties will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Superintendent of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Superintendent of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Superintendent of Missions is permitted to conduct two 1-week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as is physically possible. The services of the Superintendent of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Superintendent of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Superintendent of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Superintendet shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina Baptist State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Superintendent of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - SECTION II: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, more than 150 - 20 copies.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XV: Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVII (Committees): Recreation Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVIII (Committees): Youth Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE V - SECTION III: That the Associational Senior Co-ordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "a" before the "Music Director"; adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Co-ordinator."

ARTICLE V - SECTION IV: That the official title, "Superintendent of Missions" be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title "Director of Missions."

ARTICLE IV, SECTION II: (Reception of Churches) - Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from "The churches so received to "A newly established Southern Baptist Church or churches so received" - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: "An older - established Southern Baptist Church or churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watch care of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present."

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XIX: The following committees are to serve on a rotation basis: Audio-Visual Aids, Committee on Committees, Constitutional Changes Committee, Evangelism Committee, Memorials Committee, Nominating Committee, Ordination Committee, Place and Preacher Committee, Reception and Location of Churches Committee, Resolutions Committee, Recreation Committee, and Youth Committee. If the Committee is composed of three members one member shall rotate annually. If the committee is composed of six members two members shall rotate annually.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the Association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, More than 150 - 20 copies.

PART 6. Our Association shall be grouped in to four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches shall join the association equal distribution shall be made.

Group 1 - Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Byars, Faith Temple.
Group 2 - Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, Beulah.
Group 3 - Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, Peniel.
Group 4 - Pacolet, Columbus, Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, Warrior Mountain

Each group of churches will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting.

LICENSED AND ORDAINED MINISTERS IN OUR ASSOCIATION

Who Are Not Pastors At The Present Time

Beulah ..... None
Big Level ..... None
Byars ..... None
Columbus ..... None
Cooper's Gap ..... None
Faith ..... Rev. James Owens, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722 (L)
Faith Temple ..... None
Green River ..... None
Hickory Grove Rev. Cleveland H. Burnett, Route 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356 (L)
Midway ..... Rev. William Mills, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722 (L)
Rev. Herman Case, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722 (L)
Mill Spring ..... Rev. M.R. Simpson, Box 711, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Rev. Fred Seigfried, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 (L)
Rev. Vince Hefner, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 (L)
Morgan Chapel ..... None
Pacolet Hills ..... None
Pea Ridge ..... None
Peniel ..... Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. (R) Star Route, Box 126-B, Black Mountain, N.C. 28711
Rev. Ralph Cochran, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722 (L)
Pleasant Grove ..... Rev. Paul Stepp (R), Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Rev. Roberson Bailey, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Rev. David Gevedon, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 (L)
Rev. Lonnie Bailey, Route 5, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139 (L)
Sandy Springs ..... None
Silver Creek ..... None
Tryon Second ..... Rev. C.P. Burrell, Box 814, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Rev. Albert Teague, Route 3, Box 374, Inman, S.C. 29349
Warrior Mountain ..... None

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR POLK ASSOCIATION - 1981

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Mr. Hugh Champion, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Mr. Hoyt Champion, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Big Level ..... Mr. Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale, N.C.
Byars ..... None
Columbus ..... Rev. Fred Rhodes, Box 485, Columbus, N.C. 28722

Cooper's Gap ..... Mr. Glenn Burgess, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Mr. Zeno Lancaster, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Faith ..... Mr. James Owens, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mrs. Judy Jackson, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Faith Temple ..... Mrs. Jean Painter, Rev. Bill Painter, Columbus
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Mr. James Deck, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C.
Hickory Grove ..... Mr. Charles Pittman, Route 2, Columbus, N.C.
Midway ..... Mr. John Gibbs, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mill Spring ..... Rev. Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, N.C.
Mr. Henry Huntsinger, Box 563, Route 1, Mill Spring
Mr. Ted Pack, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Morgan Chapel ..... None
Pacolet Hills ..... Mr. Kevin Chitwood, 113 Pack Ave., Landrum, S.C.
Pea Ridge ..... Mr. Jack Morris, Route 5, Rutherfordton, N.C.
Mr. Kenneth Edwards, Route 1, Mill Spring , N.C.
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Byars —

Columbus — Miss Opal Cloud, Mrs. Linda Gillie, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Morgan, Mrs. Karan Wiggins, Mrs. N.L. Masternick; Mrs. Joe Tallent, and Mrs. Hugh Hill

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Pea Ridge — Mr. Oliver Taylor, Mr. C.T. Hudson, Mr. Roy Page, and Mr. and Mrs. George Rollins
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Tryon Second — Mr. William Whitmire, Rev. Albert Teague, Mr. Jack Phillips, Mrs. Lona B. Skipper, and Mrs. Juanita Gosnell
Warrior Mountain — Mrs. Mary Gravely, Mrs. Elma Bright, Mr. Gene Anderson, and Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd

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1981-82

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Respectfully submitted,
Lee Gregory, Chairman
Glenn Burgess
George Lynch

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The American Bible Society, founded 165 years ago in 1816, continues to pursue the only purpose for which it was established: the translation, production and distribution of God's Word without doctrinal note or comment, and without profit.

Many advances were made for the Bible cause during 1980, highlights of which are included in the enclosed copy of the "American Bible Society Record", May, 1981.

On behalf of the millions of people who learned about our Lord Jesus Christ through the pages of Scripture in 1980, the ABS would like to express its sincere thanks to the churches and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention for their share in these successful programs of Scripture evangelism. The denomination's support for each of the past four years has averaged about two cents per member, or a total of $293,000.

Of particular significance to the Southern Baptist Convention is the Bible work being carried out in the country of Brazil, one of your largest and oldest fields of service.

During 1980 the Bible Society of Brazil produced for the first time the Illustrated New Testament in Today's Portuguese. This new translation is receiving a tremendous response from church leaders and individuals. In addition, work is continuing on the complete Bible in this version. This translation is expected to attain the same popularity in Brazil as the Spanish Version Popular Bible received throughout Latin America.

If only we could reach every man, woman, and child with the written Word of God. They could experience the same new life in Christ as revealed through His message of love and forgiveness.

To help aid the ABS in its worldwide effort to serve the church and its global ministries, and to strengthen the indispensable partnership between the churches and the ABS, an Advisory Council was held last year. Representatives of many major denominations were present at this Council to discuss with officials of the ABS ways in which increased support for the worldwide Bible cause and goals for the years to come could be achieved.

Churches are asked to set a goal of at least ten per cent growth in financial support to the work of the ABS. We sincerely hope that the Southern Baptist Convention will find it possible to assist in the successful fulfillment of this resolution. Perhaps we could look for the day when the average gift to the Bible cause will be at least four cents per member per year!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Herman Bright, Representative

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR POLK ASSOCIATION - 1981

Doubling the number of baptisms by 1982 requires both an attitude and vision about evangelism. This goal, more than "adding numbers" or increasing church rolls, is an attitude about man's lostness. It is a vision about Christian witnessing.

The baptism goal adopted by the 1977 Convention is a clear voice saying, "We must do better in our task of witnessing". In 1955 the average Baptist Church, baptized one person for every 25 members; in 1975 there was one for every 30 people, but in 1977 only ONE FOR EVERY 50 PEOPLE!

In developing an evangelistic church, the main concern for every congregation is first for church members to want to be evangelistic. Churches do what their members value most. A change in attitude in evangelism simply means a change in attitude by our people. When this occurs, our churches will be more effective in bringing people to faith in Jesus Christ.

The rising tides of secularism threaten the evangelistic attitude and vision of our people. Secularism places value on the good life, on material things. Admittedly, it is difficult to be evangelistic in the midst of a system that places all values on life here and now.

To double baptisms by 1982 is a bold vision. To accomplish this we must adopt new attitudes toward evangelism. We must reaffirm the tragic lostness of a person without Christ. We must renew our commitment to reaching people for Christ. We must plan and adopt specific goals in our churches.

BEING EVANGELISTIC IS NOT AN OPTION FOR THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH. IT IS A MANDATE! IT IS OUR FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS!

As we come to the end of the 20th century, evangelism must become PRIORITY ONE for Southern Baptists. Our nation is more open today than ever before to a sensitive and courageous Christian witness. It is time for us to put FIRST THINGS FIRST! The Baptist Association is the strategic area where encouragement and challenge can be given to pastor and lay leaders to grow dynamic evangelistic churches.

This year has been a great year in Polk Association. Baptisms are up some twenty-five over last year and we thank the Lord for this! Our first Associational Revival was a great success and we are looking for even a greater time in the Lord at the revival this year. Our committee has worked hard and I wish to thank each one of them for their work.

Let me ask that each of us remember some Evangelism priorities and Objectives. These are to share Christ with every man, woman, and Child in our church communities. Set some goal to discover Evangelistic prospects and make some Evangelistic visits.

Respectfully submitted,
Houston Moses, Chairman
Evangelism Committee for Polk

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1981

Some historians believe that the first Sunday School in America was established in the home of William Elliott, in Accomac County, Virginia, in 1785.

The first known Baptist Sunday School in the South was organized by 1803 by the Second Baptist church in Baltimore, Maryland.

The Sunday School in the south has come a long way. Southern Baptist have had some great leaders through the years. B. W. Spilman a great Sunday School leader and founder of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly. Arthur Flake with his five step formula for building a Sunday School. Two men from Shelby, North Carolina, J. N. Barnette and A. V. Washburn contributed much to Southern Baptist Sunday School life. We here in Polk Baptist Association are to carry on this great tradition.

In July we had 23 Sunday School workers present at the Key Leadership Conference at Beluah church.

In August we had 31 people and 9 churches represented at the Sunday School Leadership Conference for all age groups.

At the pastor's conference in September we had Mr. Roy Holder as our guest. He is a special worker from our state Sunday School Department. He presented a program of Sunday School work. The program was centered around Sunday School work and needs in Polk Association. We had 29 pastors and directors presence for the conference.

I like to suggest two pieces of literature that can help you in your Sunday School.

1. a book: Basic Sunday School Work Series
2. a magazine: Sunday School Leadership

May we work together in our churches and association to make this the best Sunday School year yet.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw,
Director, Sunday School

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT
1981 - 1982

W.M.U. is active in 13 churches in our association. We have 12 B.W. organizations (118 members); 5 B.Y.W. (75 members); 6 Acteen (48 members); 7 G.A.; 7 Mission Friends.

B.Y.W. was newly organized in two churches and 1 G.A. organized.

Two members attended the W.M.U. Annual Meeting.

Two leaders attended the W.M.U. Evangelism Workshop.

Four members attended the B.W. Annual Meeting.

Six Associational Directors attended the Leader's Workshop in Asheville.

Six members attended Discovery at Ridgecrest.

Associational Woman's Director attended Key Leadership and W.M.U. Week at Ridgecrest.

One director and 6 Acteen members attended the Associational Acteen Council Workshop at Ridgecrest.

Thirty-five members attended the Age-Level, 3-Hour Manual Study Workshop. (W.M.U. Directors; B.W.; B.Y.W.; Acteen; G.A.; Mission Friends).

ACTEEN WORKSHOP: (Aug. 15 at Hickory Grove) The first associational meeting was for leaders and acteen members with topic "How to Use ACCENT Magazines".

(Sept. 12, Sandy Springs) "STUDI ACT" Workshop. Five churches represented (28 Acteen members: 5 leaders; 3 visitors). Along with the workshop a cookout was held (Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, and Roena Smothers for cooking!). Carolyn Hopkins, State Acteen Director led the workshop program.

Some of our G.A. members attended G.A. Camp.

The morning and evening services for World Day of Prayer were well attended. Each meeting was a beautiful prayer session.

Our churches observed the Week of Prayer for Foreign and Home Missions.

Nov. 15-18 was Foreign and Home Mission Study, with Foreign Mission theme "Missions in the Eighties".

Other programs observed by our churches: Focus Week; Christmas in August, and World Hunger Day.

Our prayer retreat with the McGee's was great!

With our wonderful age level magazines, The Demension, The Commission, The Home and Foreign Magazines, and most of all GOD'S WORD, combined with our directors and leaders in each age level, I would say we have taught missions, engaged in mission action and in personal witnessing, supported missions, and interpreted and undergirded the work of the Church and the Denomination.

As we enter a new church year, pray this will be a year of growth and that we will make Life Changing Commitments in our Bold Mission Thrust.

To each church - May God Bless You for your faithful labor.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Roena Smothers, Director
Polk Assoc. W.M.U.

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT FOR 1981

Southern Baptists have been called "People of the Book", and indeed that is what we are! The Bible tells us everything that we need to know about the One in whom we should trust. If we believe the Book then we believe in Christian Discipleship. Trust without obedience is no trust at all or as James writes: "Faith apart from works is dead."

Thus, training and study of God's Word are two major goals of Church Training. We are never too old to learn. One of the Professors at Fruitland, now in his eighties goes to the library to read and study daily.

Church Training is a wonderful place to go for study, for training, and good Christian fellowship. It concerns me greatly that more churches are not involved in a dynamic Church Training program. According to the Minutes for 1980 only 12 churches have Church Training. Let me plead with you to go back to your churches and see about starting one. I will be only too happy to come and meet with you and help in any way that I can.

"M" night was very successful last year at Sandy Springs. In spite of the weather we had over 150 present. We were challenged by the speaker to "Equip ourselves for personal growth". "M" night will be November 23rd at Tryon Second. Make plans now to attend. The theme this year is "Equipping For Church Growth". Let's have over 200 again!

My wife and I went to a Training Conference at Caraway in August. This was a challenging meeting and we came home "Equipped" with a greater zeal than ever to witness and to help you. We will share some of those ideas we learned at Caraway on "M" night.

We want to get our Bible Drills going this year! With all the new pastors in our Association we are looking for some help. Who will help us?

Keep on trying to promote Church Training in your church! You will be happy if you do.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bill Painter, Director
Church Training

A REPORT FROM YOUR MEDIA CENTER

We have Modules in our Media Center that will be helpful in your Church Training program. Also, there are a number of filmstrips and a Movie Projector that you may use.

The Family Publications of Saluda gave us a number of books. Some of them have excellent materials to use in counseling.

What's new? A Video-Tape with colored T.V.! We are on the Cave Plan and many worthwhile tapes can be ordered.

Please come by to see us. We will try to help you or point you to someone who can. We just love to see you and know you better.

Respectfully submitted,
Millie Simpson, Media

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT - 1981

The Council on Christian Higher Education has published a small book, designed for study in the churches. The title of the book is On Mission: The Church/College Alliance. By means of a complementary copy to pastors, mailed on September 1, 1981, the colleges hope to create interest among the churches for studying the book. Chapter titles are:

Chapter I - What are the Purposes of a Christian College or University?

Chapter II - Who are the People Who Make Up the College Community?

Chapter III - How Does the College Community Decide on Policies and Programs That Will Genuinely Reflect the Purpose of a Christian Institution?

Chapter IV - What are Some of the Distinctive Problems that Baptist Colleges Encounter as They Attempt to Fulfill Their Educational Mission in a Christian Context?

Chapter V - How do Baptist Colleges Seek to Encourage Students in the Continuing Development of the Religious Dimension of Life?

Chapter VI - How do Baptist Colleges Decide Which Students Should be Admitted? How can Baptist Young People of Limited Means Afford the Cost of Attending a Baptist College?

Chapter VII - Why Should the Baptist People of North Carolina Support Institutions of Higher Learning?

Copies of the book will be sent, free of charge, to those who request it. A study guide is also available.

The 1981-82 school year is filled with financial uncertainties across the nation. North Carolina Baptist colleges, where a total of 19,751 students were enrolled last year, are grateful for the generous and growing support through the Cooperative Program and the North Carolina Missions Offering. In addition to dollars, the enrollment of more Baptist young people from the churches is a major emphasis of your colleges and universities. Thank you for your faithfulness in the development of college-related churches.

CAMPBELL - CHOWAN - GARDNER-WEBB - MARS HILL - MEREDITH - WAKE FOREST - WINGATE

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Rep.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.
REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
1981

The ministry of the Baptist Children's Homes in Western North Carolina continues to grow and develop. This is made possible by the continuing support of many Christian friends. Vital to the work of the Homes is financial support through special gifts, the North Carolina Missions Offering and income through the Cooperative Program.

The western area offices were moved to the Broyhill campus in July making them more central to the seventeen western counties. Through these offices services any place in the State are made available to those who need assistance from the Homes.

Programs located in the western area include: group care at Broyhill Home, emergency care at Forest City and in the Haywood Cottage at Broyhill Home, Maternity Home in Asheville, Craig Cottage in Ridgecrest, a network of foster homes, mother's aid, social work and counseling services. Children and their families from western North Carolina are served through these programs.

Good things are taking place in our Baptist Children's Homes family across the State. Six Family Services Centers have been opened with three others in the planning stages. Children are being provided temporary care in seven Emergency Care Homes. Therapeutic camping for boys is being expanded at Cameron Home near Vass. The Child Development Center in Thomasville continues to offer progressive demonstration preschool care as a model for North Carolina Baptist churches. The Family Resource Center located in Thomasville is piloting a concept of continuing education for people across the State who are in the best position to assist families through a concept of preventive care.

A recent gift of $60,000 from the J.E. Broyhill family given in recognition of Mr. and Mrs. Broyhill's Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary moves the western program a step closer to a Family Resource Center on the Broyhill Home campus. This will serve to make available to pastors, church leaders and others workshops and materials dealing with family concern. Preventive care is the theme. Pray that our Lord will lead as we move to meet this challenging need.

Luther Osment and members of the staff of the Homes in western North Carolina are leading the program in a very fine way. In the words of Paul they can say "We are laborers together with God." (1 Corinthians 3:9) Thank Him for this relationship.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT - 1981

Who can say what the life of a child is worth? All across the state of North Carolina Southern Baptist have agencies to care for many thousands of children and young people. Those who work with Baptist Children's Homes are dedicated and skilled people. The social workers, cottage parents and other staff people feel a sense of fulfillment. They serve in capacities that enable them to share in the lives of the children.

The Baptist Children's Homes minister through the following types of programs: 1. Family Services Center and Family Education-this concept offers cooperation between the Homes and local churches. 2. Emergency Care-When school age children are having crisis at home these homes provide temporary care from one to ninety days. 3. Child Development Center-Columbus has a good one at the present time. 4. Specialized Outdoor Programs-Camping programs for boys who need a special kind of experience. 5. Social Work Services-It is the social worker who admits children to group care, foster care, emergency care and maternity care, as well as helping to deal with problems as they arise. 6. Foster Family Services-Foster homes are carefully licensed and children are placed in these homes when it is considered the best for the child. 7. Maternity Home Services-Unwed mothers need help and also they need someone to care. These homes help the young girls through such trying times and point them to a future life of hope.

We do not know what the future holds, but we do know that if these children who are hurting come to us for help we must and will reach out to them. It takes the help of Baptists across the state to make that reaching out possible.

May God help each one of us to reach out to our children in need and lead them to a richer, fuller life.

THERMAL YOUTH SHELTER REPORT - 1981

My wife and I are blessed each time we visit the Youth Shelter in Forest City. It is exciting and most rewarding to know that we have an Emergency Center this close to us. Thermal Youth Shelter is extremely fortunate to have Mr. and Mrs. Hornine to care for the needs of this home. You can be assured the youth have the very best care. I am also happy that Polk Association has a small part in the financial needs of this home. We gave $300 last year, and I would like to see us have a larger share in this worthy cause next year. I would like to commend our W.M.U.'s in our Association. Under the direction of Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mission Action Chairman for our Association, articles that were needed were carried to the home. This was a great project and most worthwhile. May this home have a good year in 1982!

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Representative

1981 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES, INC.

by

W. A. Poole, Executive Director

As we look back over the past thirty years of ministry in our Baptist Homes, it is a real inspiration to see where we have been and to meditate on the many blessings that God has so richly bestowed upon us. He has brought us from one Home in 1951 to a total of six Homes, an apartment complex, and a skilled nursing unit; from one resident to a total capacity for 300 persons in 1981. These have been good years, and God has used N.C. Baptists to bring this special ministry to older people a long way. Where we go from here is certainly, as always, in the hands of the Lord, but depends largely on where North Carolina Baptists want to go.

Quite frankly, we are at a standstill. Crippling inflation has caught up with us and is eating into the very vitals of our existence. We are still giving the same high quality of Christian care to each of the residents in the six Homes, Nursing Care Unit, and the apartment complex. It is a struggle and a juggle between income and expenditures.

Building plans for a desperately needed 70-bed addition to our current Nursing Care Unit and the Hayes Home has been held up by regulatory red tape for years. Now that the state health laws have been altered to permit the building of these beds, it doesn't appear that we could wisely borrow the money at the current interest rates.

Though 1980 gifts through our Cooperative Program and the North Carolina Missions Offering are a little more than $550,000.00 (18% of all income), these gifts are not commensurate with our current population growth and the ministry support needs of the Homes.

Two things are apparent. One, Baptists must be informed of our needs and do all possible to increase their gifts accordingly through the regular channels—the Cooperative Program and the North Carolina Missions Offering. Two, North Carolina Baptists must help us find ways of raising money for development and expansion to meet the needs of current residents and the needs of growing numbers of older adults.

The General Board of the Baptist State Convention has joined us in our concerns and has appointed a Special Study Committee to take a serious and close look at the financial needs of our Baptist Homes.

We will continue to trust our Heavenly Father for His blessings upon the Homes' vital ministry to older adults. We will keep faith with Him and with N.C. Baptist and strive to give the highest quality care to each resident of the North Carolina Baptist Homes. We will believe that our future is as bright as the promises of God Himself and as sure as the love and devotion of North Carolina Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Steve Hardin, Representative

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION - 1981

During the past decade, life expectancy in this country has increased by three years to 73.2 years. Important factors in this increase have been the development of new medical technology and the application of new medical knowledge gained through research.

Baptist Hospital has had a significant part in this developing knowledge and technology. During the past year, the hospital has expended more than $3 million on technological equipment, including the installation of an 18-MEV linear accelerator for the improved treatment of patients with certain types of cancer. A new cardiac-catherterization laboratory increase the capability of identifying and locating heart problems. A cell saver, the first in North Carolina, contributes to the recovery of many surgical patients. This technology salvages the patient's own blood, cleans it and readies it for transfusion back into the patient in a matter of minutes-making transfusion faster and less expensive. The diagnosis and treatment of epilepsy has been greatly enhanced by the development of a video telemetry system which uses cameras to record a patient's physical symptoms during a seizure. This makes it possible to identify and classify a seizure, thus enabling the physician to determine the precise drug dosage needed.

The hospital's ministry has been aided by completion and occupation of the Focus Building. Other hospital space is undergoing renovation for more effective use.

Several staff members from the Medical Center have participated in short-term mission assignments during the past year-many of these in overseas areas.

The Department of Pastoral Care continues to provide pastoral ministry to hospital patients and their families, individual and group counseling in crisis situations, clinical pastoral education in both crisis ministry and pastoral counseling, at several levels, and numerous events in Christian enrichment and development. The Minister's Care Plan continues in which Baptist State Convention provides financial assistance for ministers and/or their families who seek pastoral counseling through one of the department's regional centers.

Again this year, our hospital has won awards in cost effectiveness programs, indicating our continuing efforts to keep our operating costs and patient charges as low as possible.

During the year, the hospital's charter revision has been brought to successful and satisfactory condition.

In 1980 our churches contributed $457,459.56 to the hospital through the Cooperative Program, and $353,397.73 through the North Carolina Missions Offering and designated gifts.

Polk and Green River Associations joined together in a meeting at Gilly Club House sponsored by the Baptist Hospital. Mr. Calvin Knight led a period of helpful information about the work of our hospital, and a heart warming testimony was given by a pastor who had been in the hospital. We are proud of our Baptist Hospital.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Painter, Representative

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1981

A dream is only a dream until someone makes it come true. Bold Mission Thrust began as a dream for Southern Baptists in 1976-77 - a BOLD dream of greater mission support for churches and also for GREATER GROWTH! Many people are committed to making this a reality. In order for Bold Mission Thrust to succeed many more people must adopt this commitment.

Do we have the will and commitment to persist in achieving what we have voted as Bold Mission Thrust goals?

Can we learn to live with our commitments? In 1982 we must demonstrate our willingness to make our Bold Mission Thrust dream come true through our Bold Giving. Two realities come to my mind: 1. Our churches need to be faithful in fulfilling our goals of mission giving and church growth. 2. We need a greater concern for people in order to bring about a new "turn around" in attitudes and records in church growth and church member development.

In 1980 Polk Association made some progress in our Co-operative giving. Our churches gave a total of $29,847, and I am happy to say that almost all of our twenty churches had a part in this. It is a co-operative endeavor and we should all be involved. My church, Big Level, has made me proud of the commitment it has made. Next year our church will give THIRTEEN PERCENT to the Co-operative Program and FIVE PERCENT to Associational Missions. God has blessed us greatly and we want to share with work around the world.

In 1982 Polk Association sets a goal of $40,000! This means an increase in your church's percentage. I trust that you will raise your giving just ONE percent at least.

The dream is bold! People are excited! The mission unmistakably stands before us! Polk, I believe in YOU! ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. George Lynch, Chairman
Stewardship Committee for Polk

THE TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER REPORT FOR 1981

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee recommends that the Thirteenth Annual meeting will convene as follows:

Place - Faith Baptist Church
Time - October 21, 1982
Preacher - Rev. Lee Gregory

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Ray Skipper, Chairman

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1981

The associational missions committee's purpose is to assist churches in planning, conducting and evaluating their mission efforts, and to lead the association in planning, conducting and evaluating its mission efforts.

Because missions is a church assignment, the associational missions committee exists primarily to help churches in their task.

The Simpsons have done another great job this year. They have traveled many miles. They have visited in many of our churches, attending services, preaching, holding Bible studies, etc. They have attended conferences and seminars throughout the state.

We thank God for the Simpsons and the work they are doing.

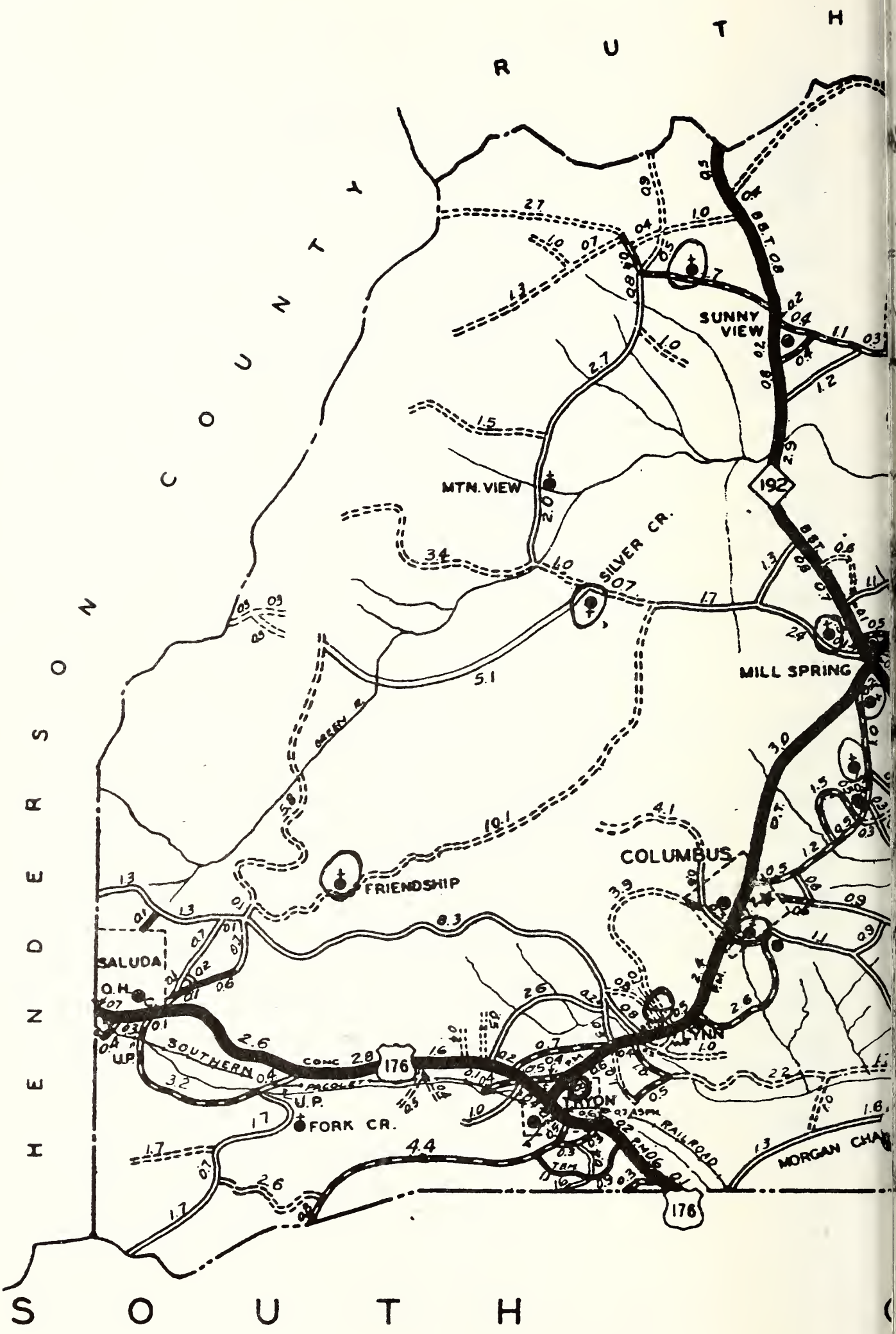
May we hold them up to the Lord in prayer and support them with our presence in association meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw,
Chairman, Missions Committee

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS REPORT - 1981

North Carolina Baptists observed the week of October 4-11 as the Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions. This is a special week set aside for us as Southern Baptists to think about and pray for all the wonderful ministries that are so helpful to our people. The 1981 breakdown in percentages for the gifts from the churches is as follows: Baptist Men 3%, W.M.U. (Heck Jones) 5%, Christian Higher Education 5%, Baptist Hospital 15%, Homes For the Aging 15%, State Missions Ministries 27%, and Children's Homes 30%. I am happy to report that Polk Association had a small part in helping with each one of these ministries. According to the 1980 Minutes our churches contributed $3,419. This year our goal for N.C.M.O. was $2,750,000. My prayer is that Polk had an even greater share in reaching this goal for 1981 than we did in 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Arthur Smith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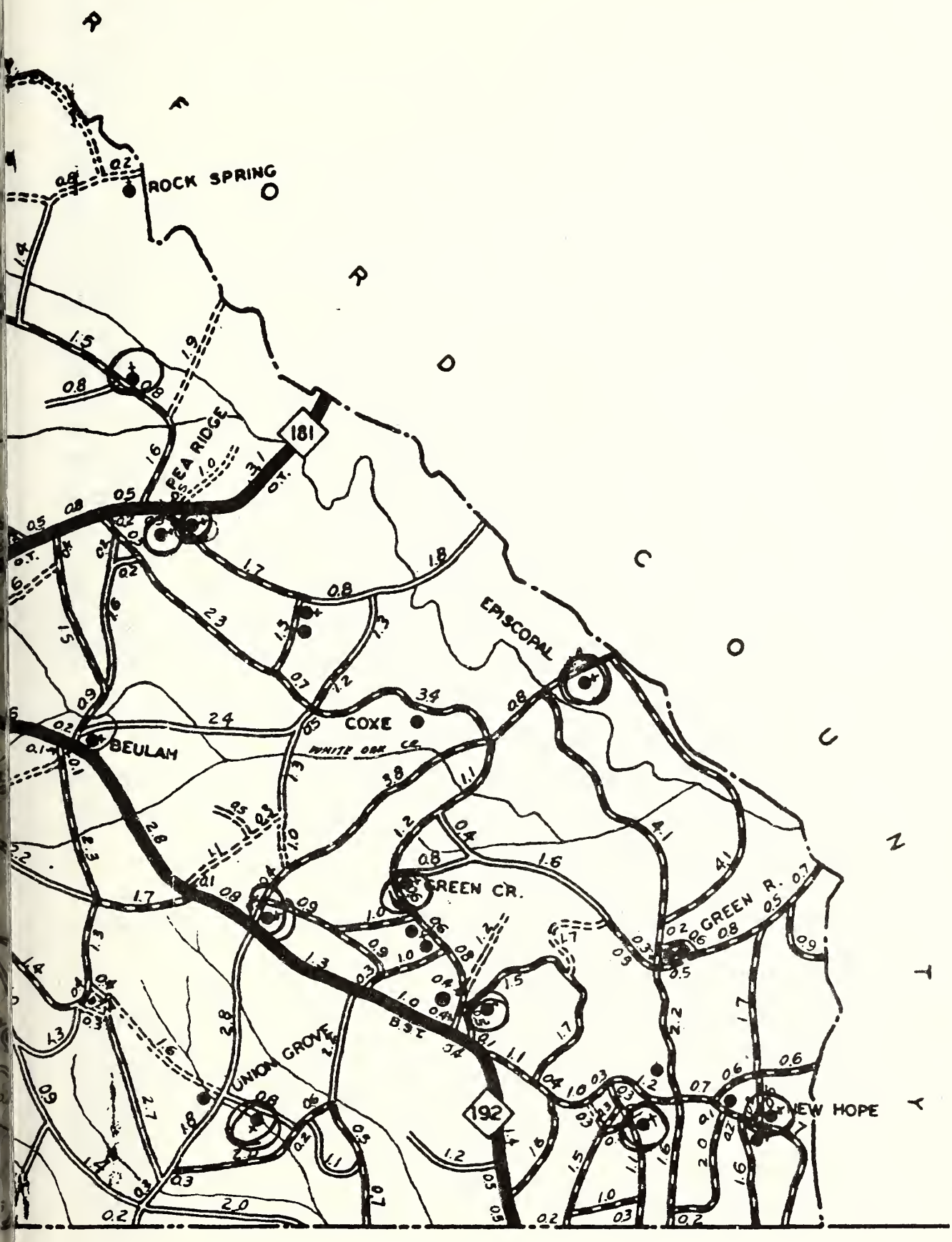
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A R O L I N A

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES IN 1980-81

CHURCHES	REGULAR
Beulah	$1,099.00
Big Level	1,810.00
Byars	220.00
Columbus	2,219.64
Cooper's Gap	1,980.26
Faith	920.00
Faith Temple	.00
Green River	500.00
Hickory Grove	1,995.10
Midway	436.00
Mill Spring	300.00
Morgan Chapel	300.00
Pacolet Hills	175.00
Pea Ridge	540.00
Peniel	240.00
Pleasant Grove	600.00
Sandy Springs	1,103.00
Silver Creek	1,200.00
Tryon Second	440.25
Warrior Mountain	425.00
TOTAL	$16,503.25

Contributions to Debbie Simpson Fund $774.42

Direct to Debbie's Family 550.83
Total for Debbie Simpson Fund $1,325.25

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET 1981-82

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:

Sunday School	$250.00
Church Training	250.00
W.M.U.	400.00
V.B.S.	300.00
Brotherhood	100.00
Music	300.00
Associational Speakers	200.00
Associational Minutes	800.00
Evangelism	300.00
Video-Tapes Aids	400.00
Youth Program	300.00
	$3,600.00

II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:

Office Utilities	$360.00
Printing and Supplies	500.00
Telephone	400.00
Petty Cash, Postage, etc.	400.00
	$1,760.00

III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES:

Salary	$4,500.00
Secretary	2,500.00
Utilities and Housing	2,200.00
	$9,200.00

IV. OTHER EXPENSES:

Southern, State, Evang. Conv.	$1,000.00
Annuity	1,080.00
Christmas Gift	300.00
Youth Shelter	300.00
Association Travel (20¢ per mile)	600.00
Miscellaneous (Emergency Exp.)	500.00
	$3,780.00

GRAND TOTAL BUDGET $18,340.00

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Rev. John Godfrey
Mrs. Jack Jolley
Mrs. Charlene Pate
Rev. Bill Pate

The Budget Committee decided to omit aid to the West Virginia churches. They felt it best to leave the decision up to the individual churches. If a church feels led to help this church can determine the amount.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1980-81

Beginning Balance Oct. 1, 1980		$7,827.45
Contributions:		
Churches	$17,277.67	
State Conv.	2,521.56	
Flowers	38.06	
Tele. Refund	33.29	
Sem. Ex. Re.	240.50	
Interest	1,999.20	
Total Receipts	22,110.28	22,110.28
To Be Accounted For:		$29,937.73
Less Expenses		14,241.84
Ending Balance Sept. 30, 1981		$15,695.89
Money Certificate		$17,000.00

YOUTH

Liberty Life Insurance Company-Harry Gibson-Insured	
Cash Surrendered	$3,081.25
Interest Dividend	29.69
In Nationwide Money Market	$3,110.94

EXPENSES FOR 1980-81

Sunday School	$ 46.81
W.M.U.	358.24
V.B.S.	96.86
Assoc. Speaker	50.00
Assoc. Minutes	624.00
Cave Plan	450.00
Office Utilities	360.00
Supplies	112.29
Telephone	330.51
Petty Cash, Postage	400.00
Salary	4,000.00
Secretary	2,000.00
Utilities	2,000.00
Annuity	1,066.68
Christmas Gift	200.00
Youth Shelter	300.00
Travel	61.20
Simpsons Travel (Miami)	466.00
Youth Revival	400.00
Flowers	144.83
Debbie Simpson (Love Off.)	774.42
Total	$14,241.84

HISTORY OF PEA RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pea Ridge Baptist Church, located in the heart of the community for which it was named, was built in 1916. Until that time families either attended Manus Methodist Church or went to the Baptist Church at Mill Spring by buggy or on foot. This was a distance of four miles.

So realizing the need for a church in the community several men went to work on a building on land donated by Mr. Clarence Justice. By the time the building was completed many workers had contributed time and supplies.

At first there were only a few members, but the church has grown over the years and today the membership is approximately 150.

In addition to membership growth other changes have taken place. Some of these changes are:

1. To the original building a balcony was installed. This balcony was used for many years for Sunday School classes as well as for congregational seating.
2. In 1940 the church voted to wire the building for electricity.
3. The church joined the newly organized Polk Association in 1969, leaving the Green River Association.
4. The balcony was removed in 1970 and several new Sunday School rooms were built.
5. In 1971 the church building was bricked.
6. On January 11, 1976 the church voted to purchase property near the church building to build a parsonage. The parsonage was built and twenty-two months later, November 1978, the mortgage was burned.

We rejoice in the progress of Pea Ridge Baptist Church and thank the Lord for His many blessings.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Historian

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - MAY 3, 1981

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Mill Spring Church on May 3 at 2:30 P.M.

The hymn "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" was led by Rev. Bill Pate with Mrs. Charlene Pate at the piano.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. John Godfrey.

Our devotions were led by Rev. George Lynch, pastor of Big Level Baptist Church. He brought thoughts from Second Chronicles after which he led in prayer.

Roll call of churches by the clerk showed 10 churches represented. Then the minutes of the last meeting was read by the clerk.

There was a call for old business by the Moderator.

Rev. Bill Pate made a motion that the $250.00 voted in the last Executive Committee Meeting be raised to the price of plane tickets for the Simpsons. Seconded and voted.

Mrs. Pate asked about our Audio-Visual Machine. Rev. Simpson said that the machine would cost about $1,500. The State Convention re-emburse the Association for $500.

Hugh Champion, Deacon from Beulah Church asked for an update on the sale of the campground. After various discussions from the floor the following motion was made. "Motion made said-"The money from the campground should be put in a savings account that would draw the most interest-probably a six month certificate and also any money coming in for this also be added to this and each church be paid what they have contributed plus the interest that they have earned." Seconded-Voted by ayes-Carried.

Mrs. Simpson asked if we got any response on the World Missions Fair. Some churches would like it and others would not. Rev. Simpson stated that perhaps we did not understand the meaning of a World Fair. This involves missions and it is a way to get the W.M.U., Brotherhood, and Acteens involved. Motion made by Rev. Bill Painter that we invite Rev. Bill Brock to give pointers about a Missions' Fair.

The Moderator submitted the following names to make up the Long Range Planning Committee: Mr. Ted Owens, Bruce Odell, Ronnie Champion, Boyce Bradshaw, Levourne Wiggins, John Edwards, Lee Gregory, the Moderator and the Director of Missions. Motion made that the group be approved. Seconded and approved by ayes.

The new pastor at Midway Church, Rev. Wesley Price, was introduced.

Rev. Simpson spoke to us briefly about the World Missions Conference and the West Virginia Project. No action taken.

There was a motion to adjourn - Seconded - Dismissed with prayer.

POLK BAPTIST ASSOC. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
August 2, 1981

The Executive Committee met at Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M. on August 2. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. John Godfrey. After the

singing of "Amazing Grace" Rev. Steve Hardin led in prayer. A devotional followed on "God's Goodness" led by Rev. Lee Gregory.

The following items of business were brought before the Committee:

Old Business-

1. The Video-Tape has been purchased and will be here soon.

2. The West Virginia Project is still pending, and the amount of aid to be given is left up to the individual churches.

New Business-

1. The Evangelism Committee report was given by Rev. Houston Moses, Chairman. Our second Polk Associational Revival will be held October 25-28 at Mill Spring Elementary School Auditorium. Our own pastors, Rev. John Edwards, Rev. Bill Pate, Rev. George Lynch, and Rev. Dillard Davidson will be in charge of the services. Mrs. Charlene Pate will lead the Associational Choir. Please make this an item of prayer each day.

2. The Prayer Chairman, Rev. Lee Gregory, urged all the pastors to select their Prayer Chairman and begin sessions of prayer for our needs.

3. The Treasurer's Report was passed out. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the proposed budget for approval. The 1981-82 Budget was approved as written.

4. The Committee voted to recommend to the State Convention that we seek $2,000 aid from them this year.

5. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw reported on the coming Sunday School Leadership Training Workshop which will be August 18th at Beulah Baptist Church All Sunday School workers for the year 1981-82 should avail themselves of this opportunity to train under a leader - there will be conferences for each grade level.

6. Churches were urged to have their youth participate in the Youth Rally August 7-8. The meeting the 7th will be at Hickory Grove, and the 8th will be at Sandy Springs.

7. Rev. Steve Hardin gave a report from the Nominating Committee. The following Directors of Departments were elected:

Sunday School.....Rev. Bill Pate
Church Training.....Rev. Bill Painter
V.B.S. ..... Mrs. Lee Gregory
W.M.U. .....Mrs. Gil Smothers
Brotherhood .....Mr. Jerry Padgett
Music.....Mrs. Bill Pate

A People's Search Chairman was named for the first time. Rev. John Edwards was elected to this task.

8. The Moderator appointed the Committee on Committees:

Chairman— Rev. Lee Gregory
Mr. Glenn Burgess
Rev. George Lynch

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES - 1981-82

NOVEMBER — STATE CONVENTION MONTH

2-8	Royal Ambassador Week
2-5	Baptist State Convention at Greensboro
1	Baptist Men's Convention at Greensboro
2	W.M.U. World Day of Prayer at Pacolet Hills Baptist Church (2 sessions-10 A.M. and 7 P.M. Covered dish lunch and supper
8	Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day
9	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
10	Foreign Mission Study at Columbus Baptist Church 7-9 P.M. Study taught by Mr. Richard McBride from Gardner-Webb
23	"M" night at Second Church-Tryon at 7 P.M.
26	Thanksgiving Day
29	Beginning of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions

DECEMBER — FOREIGN MISSIONS MONTH

1-6	Week of Prayer For Foreign Missions
8	Pastors and Wives Christmas Fellowship Supper
25	Christmas Day
27	Student Day at Christmas

JANUARY — BIBLE STUDY MONTH-BOOK OF JEREMIAH

1	New Year's Day
4	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
4-8	January Bible Study-Jeremiah
10	Witness Commitment Day
17	Polk Association Prayer Emphasis Week for Revival Crusade
22-23	Assoc. Church Training Enabling Conference Fruitland
24	Baptist Men's Day
25	General Board Orientation
26-27	General Board Meeting
27-28	Directors of Missions Convention Staff Meeting

FEBRUARY — W.M.U. FOCUS WEEK

7	Executive Committee Meeting at Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
8-9	Evangelism Conference at Greensboro
14-20	W.M.U. Focus Week
15	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring 7:30 P.M.
15-16	Mountain Pastors' Workshop at Ridgecrest
21-24	Home Mission Study
22	Home Mission Study at Mill Spring

MARCH — HOME MISSIONS MONTH

7-14	Week of Prayer for Home Missions and Annie Armstrong
8	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
11	V.B.S. Clinic at Biltmore Baptist Church

16-17	Gardner-Webb College Ministers' Conference
14-21	Youth Week
19-20	W.M.U. Annual Meeting at Greensboro

APRIL — BOLD MISSIONS — PRAYER RETREAT

5	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
11	Easter
12	Prayer Retreat at Hickory Grove Church with Miss Martha Frank
18	Cooperative Program Day
19-23	Baptist Doctrine Study
25	Life Commitment Day

MAY — FAMILY MISSION — CHURCH PLANNING

1-9	Simultaneous Joint Revivals
2	Executive Committee Meeting at Mill Spring 2:30 P.M.
3	Pastors Conference at Mill Spring-7:30 P.M.
2-9	Christian Home Week
9	Mother's Day
10	Key Leadership Conference-Ridgecrest
10	W.M.U. Spring Meeting at Faith Baptist Church
17-23	Associational Emphasis Week

JUNE — SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION — V.B.S.

7	Pastors' Conference Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
13-14	W.M.U. Annual Meeting at New Orleans
15-17	Southern Baptist Convention-New Orleans
20	Father's Day
21-25	Associational Directors of Missions Conference-Wingate
28-July 2	Week of Christian Study & Fellowship-Mars Hill

JULY — CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH

4	Independence Day
5	Pastors' Conference-Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
10-16	Church Training Week-Ridgecrest
17	W.M.U. Associational Workshops

AUGUST — YOUTH EMPHASIS

2	Pastors' Conference Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
1	Executive Committee Meeting at Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
7-13	W.M.U. Conference at Ridgecrest
20-21	Lay Witness Training-Camp Caraway
29	Youth Evangelism Conference-Asheville-Civic Center

SEPTEMBER — LEADERSHIP TRAINING

6	Labor Day
13	Pastors' Conference Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
17-18	Sunday School Workers Convention-Ridgecrest
26-Oct. 3	Sunday School Preparation Week

28-29	General Board Meeting-Caraway
29-30	Directors of Missions Staff Meeting at Caraway

OCTOBER — COOPERATIVE PROGRAM EMPHASIS MONTH

3-10	Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions Offering
4-6	Evangelism Leadership Conference-Caraway
10	World Hunger Day
21	Polk Associational Annual Meeting at Faith Baptist Church

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

In the light of the many varied kinds of literature available on our newsstands and in our society today, we can readily understand the need for Christian Literature to be available to our church people. We as Southern Baptists, can boast of much good literature written for us and available to us on any subject we might desire. I believe the writers of our literature are inspired writers who have to spend many hours in preparation and have received much spiritual insight into the scriptures.

The Sunday School Board in Nashville, where we order our quarterly literature, sends news in the "Mailbag", a newsletter included with the order form, that tells about each new item as it is offered. These newsletters should be shared with each department in the church and extras can be ordered so each leader will know what is available. There are three sets of Sunday School lessons for both adults and youth from which to choose. The Children's Departments have lessons, pictures, Resource Kits, Recordings for each age as well as a new series of Children's Bible Study for multi-age group departments. From this same source come our Church Training literature and church music periodicals with casettes, song books for choirs and accompanists and much help for children's choirs. There are Gospel Tracts for witnessing and literature for the deaf as well as literature translated into other languages.

The W.M.U. literature reaches every age level and every need is touched. There is a beautiful new Home Missions periodical just out called "Missions U.S.A." that is very hard to put down.

I could never name all of what is offered but I do trust that our churches use this material as it fits their needs. Unless our church people are trained and inspired in the local church we will have nothing to share with the world. Let us train our children and adults in Bible truths and Baptist Doctrine so we can be bold in our sharing as we reach out into our communities and association with the gospel.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Ann Byrd, Representative
Christian Literature-Polk Association

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT FOR 1981

This has been a GREAT year for Student work in Polk! Larry Thompson, Hickory Grove, went to Missouri to help during the summer. Cooper's Gap had a student worker all summer. Vince Heffner, Mill Spring, a ministerial student at Gardner Webb College is doing a fantastic work preaching!

Youth Rally was well attended and Keith Stott and Vince Heffner did a good job.

Gardner Webb Ministerial Day is always a highlight for students and adults. Some students enjoyed the Student Day at Mars Hill College.

We are proud of our youth and pray God's blessings upon each as he or she prepares for an abundant life.

Mrs. Loretta Vance, Representative

REPORT OF THE BIBLICAL RECORDER - 1981

Again this past year, the "Biblical Recorder" has reminded us all of the value of good church-pastor relations. This is just one of many subjects the "Recorder" seeks to cover for North Carolina Baptists.

The editor believes strongly in the local church as well as the ministry and work of the pastor. As all of us know, nothing can take the place of a good church and a good pastor.

And yet, we know that there are those in our midst who do not believe in this as much as they should. The "Recorder" is a constant reminder to us that a bedrock of Baptist life is a strong local church served by a dedicated pastor.

The "Recorder" also challenges us in many other ways. For example, it reported that there was a net gain of only 21 new churches in our convention in the past ten years. This shocked many people, especially in view of the number of new churches organized in the last 50 years and in the population growth of our state in the last decade.

The "Recorder" was happy to report that the Southern Baptist Convention in Los Angeles was a good one. Those unable to attend were given an accurate and complete picture of what happened there—a front row seat as it were for only 7¢ (cost of one "Recorder").

When people know the truth-and truth must be spoken in love we have better convention, better churches, better associations and better individual Christians. The "Recorder" is that instrument of communication that keeps us closer together as Baptists.

If you are not receiving the "Recorder" you are missing something vital to your Christian life. The cost is still much less than one-half the price of a first class stamp. Surely every church and every individual can afford that much.

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE OF NORTH CAROLINA - 1981

We are praising the Lord for some victories that He has shared with us this year, as well as other developments in total perspective of our work.

I. On January 1, 1981, Coy C. Privette began as our Executive Director upon the retirement of D. P. McFarland who had served for 20 years in this capacity.

II. It has been a privilege to assist in four campaigns already this year;

1. Lumberton defeated an ABC liquor referendum.
2. Blowing Rock defeated a liquor-by-the-drink referendum;
3. Marion defeated a beer referendum; and
4. Old Fort also defeated a beer referendum.

III. The League was involved in its most extensive legislative program in its entire history. There were some victories; some defeats; and some delays. A brief review of these follows:

1. "Senate Bill 128 and House Bill 230": DRUG PARAPHERNALIA ACT-To prohibit the manufacture, delivery, sale, and possession and use of drug paraphernalia. RESULT: Enacted into Law.

2. "Senate Bill 324": AN ACT TO DISCRIMINALIZE MARIJUANA UP TO FOUR OUNCES (160-240 joints) 5 Trustees appeared before the Senate Committee opposing the measure. Sent to a subcommittee that recommended a study committee to re-examine marijuana Laws. RESULT: Senate Appropriation Committee Refused to Fund the Study Com.

3. "Senate Bill 463": AN ACT TO GRANT LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES TO THOSE REFUSING THE BREATHALYZER. League President appeared before the Senate panel opposing the measure that would basically destroy our implied consent law. RESULT: Bill was never reported out of the committee.

4. "Senate Bill 295": AN ACT TO REPEAL ADVERSARY HEARING IN OBSCENITY LAW. The measure overwhelmingly passed the Senate, but ran into trouble in the House Judiciary Committee I. RESULT: Established a Legislative Research Committee to STUDY OBSCENITY LAWS.

At present there are 16 bills in the House or Senate geared towards making North Carolina a better state in which to live. The League is now involved in PROJECT 1000-an effort to enlist 1000 churches or individuals that will become a prayer partner and to make financial contributions in the League's ministry. The League's extensive legislative program has placed a heavy demand on its financial resources, and this is why you are needed to become a part of PROJECT 1000.

The League seeks to help us to be salt and light that our Lord has commissioned us to be so that we might preserve the moral and spiritual principles upon which our nation was established. Edmund Burke put it so well years ago: "All that is necessary for evil to flourish is for good people to do nothing."

Respectfully submitted,
John Lynch, Representative

MEMORIALS

"He is NOT here! The Lord liveth! Praise God For His matchless love!"

BEULAH — Miss Lisa Arledge
BIG LEVEL — None
BYARS — Mr. Shadus Mills
COLUMBUS — Mr. Robert West
COOPER'S GAP — Mr. Glover Stepp, Mr. William Jackson
FAITH — Mr. George V. Brisco, Mr. Gurley Patty, Jr.
FAITH TEMPLE — Mr. Benjamin Turner
GREEN RIVER — Mr. Bobby Henson, Mr. Howard Honeycutt, and Mr. W. C. Eplee, Deacon
HICKORY GROVE — Mr. J. W. Pate
MIDWAY — None
MILL SPRING — None
MORGAN CHAPEL — None
PACOLET HILLS — Mr. C. H. Lewis, Deacon
PEA RIDGE — None
PENIEL — Mr. Ed Chancey, Mr. George Champion, Mr. Gerald Wagner, Mr. Donell Flynn, Deacon, Mrs. Adell Wagner, and Mrs. Eva Greene
PLEASANT GROVE — None
SANDY SPRINGS — Mrs. Bertha Cooley
SILVER CREEK — Mr. Amos Arledge, Mr. Clyde Cochran, Mrs. Rella Henderson, Mr. Adolphus Sain, Mr. Harrison Arledge, Mr. Martin Arledge, Mrs. Margie Peace, and Mr. Virgil McCrain
TRYON SECOND — None
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — Rev. Matt Earley

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Memorial Committee

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE - 1981

The Resolutions Committee presents the following resolutions:

(A) Resolved that the churches of Polk Association express heartfelt appreciation to Pea Ridge Baptist Church for their warm hospitality.

(B) Resolved that we express sincere thanks to all the sister churches who contributed a part in making the evening meal such a delightful occasion.

(C) Resolved that we express our sincere thanks to Mill Spring Baptist Church for allowing us to have the Polk Association Offices there for the past two years. Their kindnesses and helpfulness are deeply appreciated.

(D) Resolved that the Polk Baptist Association express sincere gratitude to the family of Mr. Harry Gibson for his generosity to the Association. Mr. Gibson loved the young people and his gift left from his insurance will be used in some way to show his love and appreciation for our youth.

(E) Resolved that the Polk Baptist Association express its love and deep appreciation to Mrs. Jack Jolley for all of her labors, freely given, to the Associational work since its beginning.

(F) Resolved that the Polk Baptist Association express love and appreciation to our Associational Music Director for all of her many hours of labor. The Associational Choir blesses us each time we hear it.

(G) Resolved that the Polk Baptist Association express sincere thanks to Mrs. Marie Wood of Peniel Baptist Church for the many hours she spent in making our lovely Polk Association flag.

(H) Resolved that the Polk Baptist Association express our thanks to Mrs. Helen Godfrey for carrying our flag in the procession of flags at the North Carolina Baptist Convention at Greensboro on November 2.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Larry Stott, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

HISTORICAL EVENTS OF INTEREST DURING 1981

BEULAH — Ordination of Charles Arledge for the Ministry
BIG LEVEL —
BYARS —
COLUMBUS — Began a Child Development Center in August for ages 6 months to six years
COOPER'S GAP — The Ordination of Aaron Pruitt for the ministry-Remodeling of the church basement
FAITH — Sponsored Charles Davis and Elmer Painter to go to Guatemala with Gail Cross on a Construction Crew. Completed Pastorium.
FAITH TEMPLE — Dug a New Well-Made other church improvements.
GREEN RIVER — Paid off church debt-Air Conditioned the Sanctuary-Had a note burning service-Ordained Buford Harris as Deacon.
HICKORY GROVE — The completion of a new addition to the church.
MIDWAY —

MILL SPRING — Placed new kitchen cabinets in church.
MORGAN CHAPEL — Purchased home for pastor.
PACOLET HILLS — Had a note-burning service-church debt paid. Ordained Mike Frazier for the Ministry.
PEA RIDGE — Covered the seats of the church pews.
PENIEL — Paved church parking lot. Installed bathrooms in Fellowship Building-Purchased Handbells.
PLEASANT GROVE — Built tables and cover over picnic area-Built new front steps as entrance to church-New sign for church in yard.
SANDY SPRINGS —
SILVER CREEK —
TRYON SECOND — Ordination of Albert Teague for the Ministry.
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — Purchase of 1¼ acres of land on roadside for development.

DIRECTOR OF MISSION REPORT 1981

We have much to be grateful for in that this has been a good year considering everything that has taken place. All indications show increases have been made in almost everything. We praise God for these encouraging signs. I would like to commend you for your faithfulness to the cause that is the greatest.

We are grateful for the increase in baptisms, but we are sadly lacking in reaching people for Christ. Let us ask the Lord to burden our hearts for the lost in Polk County. There are over 4,000 unchurched people in Polk County. Our churches have been asked to make a survey of the community, and I hope each one will do so.

We are told that Southern Baptists are experiencing a Sunday School Renaissance - "a rediscovery of the Sunday School as a structure designed for the dynamics of teaching, preaching, and caring." These are the words of one of the fine pastors in our convention. Pastors are becoming more aware that the Sunday School is of vast importance in outreach. The churches that are growing have strong Sunday Schools. Let's strive to enroll more people and not take them off the roll because they do not come. We have a decrease in enrollment. Rev. Andy Anderson said that only 40 to 60 percent of the Sunday School enrollment would be present on Sunday morning. He said 60% would be a high attendance figure.

We now have a Video-Tape Machine, and also a Long Range Planning Committee has been appointed to study the needs of our Association. This Committee will begin work soon and have a report ready for the Executive Committee Meeting in February-1982.

Our immediate project is to join hands with West Virgini and support the work there. Beginning in January our churches plan to send a gift to West Virginia through the Association. Next summer we hope to send teams to help with the Southern Baptist Churches.

Millie and I wish to thank you for letting us be a part of your Association. We covet your prayers as we try to serve the Lord. We would like to serve you good people better. May we catch the vision the Lord would have us see and work together for the glory of God. Thank you for your prayers and support. You prove you care.

In His Service,
Marshall Simpson

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - 1981

This has been a good year for Vacation Bible School in Polk Baptist Association. A good Pre-clinic was held at Mill Spring First Baptist with 16 present from 10 churches. We had 61 in attendance for our main clinic at Silver Creek Baptist. All 20 churches this year had some type of Vacation Bible School. The total enrollment was 1268. There were 149 adults enrolled in 12 Vacation Bible Schools. This year 15 children made professions of faith. Four Backyard Bible Clubs were held. Sixteen of our churches used Southern Baptist Literature. Fifteen churches gave a mission offering through the Cooperative Program. Four of our V.B.S. achieved the level of Advanced. Five achieved the level of Merit.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lee Gregory,
Assn. V.B.S. Director

1981 ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT
"Unprecedented Growth and Startling Change!"

"Nineteen hundred eighty has been a year of unprecedented growth and startling change," according to Dr. Darold H. Morgan, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Annuity Board.

Key statistical highlights in 1980 included:

1. A 13th Check amounting to 10 per cent of a year's benefit was mailed to annuitants who retired before 1980.
2. A total of $21,059,479 in retirement benefits was paid.
3. Insurance benefits through the Board's church, agency and seminary programs amounted to $15,955,965.
4. Total assets held in trust at the close of the year equaled $806,518,757. This figure represented a growth of $139,043,770 over 1979's total.
5. Premium income totaled $87,938,590, including contributions and relief receipts. A total of $42,121,138 was designated for the Fixed Fund, $3,620,501 was earmarked for the Balanced Fund and $11,063,513 went into Plan A.

Insurance premiums totaled $24,863,894.

6. At the close of 1980, the Board counted 20,527 church and agency member accounts in Plan A, 47,701 in the Fixed Fund, 6,033 in the Balanced Fund and 3,376 in the Variable Fund.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS 1981

Retirement Plans	Member Accounts and Benefits
Protection Section of Southern Baptist Retirement Program	**8,536**
Plan A (church-agency)	**20,527**
Fixed Fund (church-agency)	**47,701**
Balanced Fund (church-agency)	**6,033**
Variable Fund (church-agency)	**3,376**
Benefits Paid (retirement and Variable)	**$21,059,479**
Relief Benefits	**$413,980**
Relief Recipients	**407**

Insurance	Members
***Health Insurance**	**20,711**
Group Life (church)	**14,024**
Group Life (agency)	**17,802**
****Life Benefit Plan**	**2,328**
Seminarian Life	**1,584**
Seminarian Medical	**4,245**

***Includes churches and agencies**
****Closed to new members**

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT FOR POLK ASSOCIATION

In Polk Association 12 churches and 12 staff members are participating in the retirement program. Of this number 6 are still participating on the minimum of $33.34 per month. There is a great need to upgrade this to 10% of the total salary for staff members.

We have the BEST pastors in the world in our Association, and we have the BEST churches. We feel sure that you are interested in seeing that each one will be cared for adequately after they leave the active pastorate. Please consider this plan for their retirement and give 10% of their salary.

If you have any questions to ask about your situation please call one of these toll free numbers—1-800-527-9010 or 1-800-527-9003

Let us go Route 10 in 1982!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. William C. Pate, Jr., Representative

BROTHERHOOD COMMISSION

The Brotherhood Commission is excited over the challenge from the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to "assume leadership for involving Baptist Men in Bold Mission Thrust and especially that it work with men to find challenging places of service for them in church and denominational life."

This is in line with Brotherhood's recently adopted statement of objective, "Helping Churches Involve Men and Boys in Missions." Everything now underway is being weighed on the scale of this statement.

This year God has led in three deepening convictions: (1) Bold Mission Thrust is of God—Mathew 24:14; (2) in order to achieve the Bold Mission Thrust, a great task force of laymen must be involved; and (3) the motivation for the Bold Mission Thrust must come from a genuine spiritual awakening—Psalm 110:3. All of the Commission's strategy is being built upon these convictions.

In response to the request of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, ten regional laymen consultations were conducted in April and May of 1980. From over 400 invitations, 133 men attended the meetings. They were all positive and helpful, and several things surfaced in every one of the meetings. Laymen want to be a part of the ministry, and they feel there should be a National Fellowship of Baptist Men. It should not be a convention, but a fellowship. It should provide an umbrella for many vocational fellowships. In their meetings, they want to share ways they can use their vocations as platforms for personally witnessing to their faith in Jesus Christ. They also want to consider ways their skills might be used in mission ministries. A representative group of Southern Baptists is preparing a constitution for the National Fellowship.

During the past year the Commission adopted the new statement of objective, "Helping Churches Involve Men and Boys in Mission." This led in restructuring the organization. The two primary divisions are Baptist Men and Royal Ambassadors. Materials are all being evaluated for missions content and educational principles. The work of the Commission has been extremely fragmented during the past few years.

Polk Association need MORE BROTHERHOODS! Men, let's get involved! Two laymen from Faith went to Guatemala last month. We hope some will help in West Virginia. If you can—begin a Brotherhood in your church in 1982!

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Jerry Padgett, Director
Brotherhood

CHURCH MUSIC REPORT FOR 1981

Music is very vital to our Christian life, both as an individual Christian and as part of the Church of the Living Christ.

In the Old Testament we find many references to music, whether it be singing or the playing of instruments. For example note these blessed words from Psalm 81:1-3.

1. "Sing aloud unto God our strength: Make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2. Take a Psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day."

We are commanded "to make a joyful noise unto the Lord." It does not say if you have a trained voice to sing; it says to make a joyful noise, and if that joyful noise is made to bring honor and glory to the Lord, then we are meeting the requirements set forth.

GOALS OF THE CHURCH MUSIC DEPARTMENT

1. All churches reporting music ministry.

2. Every region sponsoring an event in each of the following areas: 1. Training Event, 2. Group Participation Event, 3. Fellowship Event.

3. One additional Association per region establishing the Zone Director concept.

Zone Directors should be located in different areas or zones of an Association in such a way that they are able to communicate easily with several church music Directors. The purpose is to establish fellowship, convey information, urge the churches to report a music program, and to determine needs in the churches. Since the task of reaching into every church is impossible for the Church Music Department and the Associational Music Director, you can see that this is a workable plan if we join forces in striving to meet the needs of our people.

4. Enlist 3,000 additional adult choir members.

5. Seventy-five Choirs participating in Adult Choir Festivals.

6. Twenty groups participating in Adult Handbell Festivals.

7. Twenty five Associations reporting that they are using music ministry in outreach.

Let me share with you several goals for our Polk Associational Music Ministry:

1. To encourage the churches in our Association to share leadership, music groups, and musical resources with other churches for the benefit of all churches in our Association.

2. To strengthen music in the congregational services in all the churches.

3. To provide leadership training for all music leaders and interested members for the purpose of strengthening the total music ministry in the local church.

4. To seek to meet the musical needs of all the churches in the Polk Baptist

Association.

If there is any way that I, as your Associational Music Director, can help you in your church music program, please feel free to call upon me.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlene M. Pate

PASTORS NOW SERVING IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	PASTOR	ADDRESS	TEL.
Beulah	Dillard Davidson	Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782	894-8688
Big Level	George Lynch	Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	625-4607
Byars	Charles Arledge	Peniel Rd., Tryon, N.C.	894-3769
Columbus	Fred Rhodes	Blanton St., Columbus, N.C. 28722	894-8588
Cooper's Gap	John Godfrey	Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	625-4676
Faith	John Rogers	Box 6, Hwy. 9, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8063
Faith Temple	William Painter	Box 213, Columbus	894-8881
Green River	Boyce Bradshaw	Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139	863-4344
Hickory Grove	John Edwards	Route 2, Columbus, N.C.	863-2025
Midway	Wesley Price	Route 1, Columbus, N.C.	894-3255
Mill Spring	Houston Moses	Box 36, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8841
Morgan Chapel	Terry Pleasant	Skyuka Road, Landrum, S.C.	457-2663
Pacolet Hills	Tom Hudson	Spartanburg, S.C.	
Pea Ridge	Steve Hardin	Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8773
Peniel	W.C. Pate, Jr.	Route 1, Tryon, N.C.	894-8494
Pleasant Grove	Benson Hodge	147 Westview St. Rutherfordton, N.C.	286-9487
Sandy Springs	Arthur Smith	Route 1, Box 20, Rutherfordton, N.C.	863-2190
Silver Creek	Lee Gregory	Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8598
Tryon Second	Aaron Pruitt	101 McDonald St. Tryon, N.C. 28782	859-5368
Warrior Mtn.	Herman Bright	Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970	692-8082

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC.
1981 Report to the Baptist Associations of North Carolina

During the past year, twenty-three new trust funds valued at $385,016, were established with the N.C. Baptist Foundation. Coupled with the additions to existing trusts, total new assets held for the various missions and institutions increased the value of trust assets by $453,877.

-Foreign Missions trust funds increased by approximately $26,000.

-Home Missions trusts increased by $8,000.

—Baptist Childrens Homes of North Carolina trusts increased by approximately $19,000

-Southeastern Seminary by $12,250.

-Fruitland Bible Institute by $33,000.

-N.C. Baptist Homes by $1,500.

-Local church trust funds, including cemetery, scholarship and mission funds by $5,000.

-Cooperative Program by $7,000.

-Statewide Student loan fund by $115,000.

The Directors of the Foundation made an investment decision in 1978 to increase the yield to the charitable beneficiaries of trust income. Over a two year period investments moved toward high quality selective bonds to accomplish this goal. The income of yield increased steadily with the rate on December 30, 1980 averaging 10.3%. Market Value of all assets on December 30, 1980 were $4,586,215.12. The bond portion of the investment portfolio reflected the high interest market at the end of the year with market values being depressed below inventory value.

Thirty-eight percent of the market value of all assets held by the Foundation were made as gifts by persons desiring to receive income for the remainder of their lifetime and at death have the trust funds pay income to missions or Baptist institutions. Foundation personnel are available to assist any member of a Baptist Church in North Carolina to utilize this or other plans of giving to provide a perpetual personal support for sharing the message of Christ - even beyond one's lifetime.

More families are utilizing the memorial gifts as a means of providing mission support on a continuing basis. Individual trust accounts are established with only the income being distributed in the name of the deceased family member. Generally the mission cause named to receive the income was loved and supported during the lifetime of the family member.

Private and confidential conferences are scheduled by Foundation staff members with individuals desiring to seek direction in estate planning and giving.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Jack Jolley, Representative

HOME MISSION REPORT FOR 1981

This has been a good year for Home Missions. The budget of $36.6 million dollars was the largest in our history. The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering went one million dollars over the goal.

The impact of your sacrifice on 1981 missions endeavors will prove striking. New and expanded opportunities await, just as last year's gifts already have paid dividends in baptisms and missionary appointments.

The missionary force rose in 1980 to 3,000. Before the end of the year it was reduced to 2,970. Maintaining the 3,000 number is difficult because of the large turnover of mission pastors who lead their churches to self-support status, and they are dropped from the roll.

The witness at the Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, N.Y. resulted in a small church there. Results of that experience have caused the Home Mission Board to start planning for 1984 Summer Games set for Los Angeles.

Home missionaries have also been helping with the influx of Cubans and the Indochinese refugees. Workers helped in the camps and led in recruiting SBC church sponsorships.

The Board also named a hunger consultant. His task will be to coordinate SBC domestic hunger efforts. In the years ahead he will help us all to remember our Lord's command to feed the hungry-physically as well as spiritually.

I am happy to report that Polk had a small part in the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Our churches made a substantial gain in their gifts, the total for 1980 being $6,329. Hopefully, this year we went above this.

Polk Association is cooperating with our state convention in helping with the work in West Virginia. Plans are in the making to send teams there next summer and to help financially.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT FOR 1981

Over 3,000 missionaries in 95 countries are telling the story of God's love. In 1980 total contributions were $85,456,178. From the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering the Foreign Mission Board received $40,836,166 and from the Cooperative Program the Board received $34,415,900. The per capita gift has increased dramatically and reached a high of $6.28 in 1980.

In Asia with 1,241.1 millions of people there are 1,832 Southern Baptist Churches and 1,446 missions. With a staff of 859 missionaries and 1,398 National pastors 175,742 people are served and 19,843 were baptized in 1980.

I am sure that Polk Association is proud to have a part in this ministry. Our churches contributed $16,321 for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in 1980. We should do much better this year. Two of our laymen from Faith Church went to Guatemala with a group and built pews in a church. We hope that others can help in other work.

Polk Association, let me CHALLENGE YOU to continue to upgrade your home and foreign mission programs! The dividends will be greater than you can ever imagine!

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Judy Arledge, Representative

STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1981 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Director of Associational Missions: Marshall R. Simpson

Address: Box 711 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

1 - Open Country; 2 - Village (under 500 pop.); 3 - Town (500-2499); 4 - Small City 2500-9 999; Medium City (10,000-49 999): 5—Downtown, 6—Neighborhood, 7—Suburban; Large City (50,000 or more): 8—Downtown, 9—Neighborhood, 0—Suburban

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
		3		4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Beulah	Dillard Davidson, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782	Polk	1889	1	Y		2	3	6	132	131	263	0	2	60,000	190,000	10,740
Big Level	George Lynch, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C.	Polk	1881	1	Y		8	0	2	160	49	209	0	0	34,500	70,000	0
Byars	Charles Arledge, Peniel Road, Tryon, N.C, 28782	Polk	1956	1	Y		0	2	7	67	2	69	0	0	0	45,000	0
Columbus	Fred Rhodes, Blanton Street, Columbus, N.C. 28722	Polk	1857	3		N	13	6	7	297	127	424	0	3	50,000	426,000	0
Cooper's Gap	John Godfrey, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	Polk	1834	1	Y		3	6	10	269	59	328	0	0	50,000	300,000	6,000
Faith	John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	Polk	1967	1	Y		10	9	10	127	33	160	0	0	65,000	155,000	9,600
Faith Temple	William Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722	Polk	1970	1	Y		2	2	1	83	1	84	0	0	0	29,000	28,000
Green River	Boyce Bradshaw, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C,	Polk	1875	1		N	11	1	3	160	34	194	0	0	75,000	250,000	0
Hickory Grove	John Edwards, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	Polk	1906	1	Y		6	9	2	204	95	299	0	0	60,000	400,000	6,000
Midway,	Wesley Price, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722	Polk	1940	1	Y		3	2	0	117	43	160	0	0	30,000	80,000	0
Mill Spring	Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	Polk	1873	2	Y		11	2	3	192	65	257	0	0	65,000	240,000	0
Morgan Chapel	Terry Pleasant, Skyuka Road. Landrum, S.C. 29356	Polk	1909	1	Y		0	0	0	125	67	192	0	0	40,000	100,000	13,944
Pacolet Hills	Tom Hudson, Spartanburg, S.C. 29301	Polk	1949	1	Y		1	3	2	61	39	100	0	0	0	100,000	0
Pea Ridge	Steve Hardin, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	Polk	1916	1	Y		6	0	1	133	59	192	0	0	45,000	115,000	4,120
Peniel	W.C.Pate, Jr. Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782	Polk	1920	1	Y		8	2	11	210	65	375	0	0.	35,000	250,000	0
Pleasant Grove	Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St. Rutherfordton, N.C,	Polk	1934	2	Y		2	5	30	120	50	170	0	0	0	90,000	0
Sandy Springs	Arthur Smith, Route 1, Box 20, Rutherfordton, N.C,	Polk	1858	1	Y		2	3	8	208	98	306	0	0	25,000	160,000	6,512
Silver Creek	Lee Gregory, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	Polk	1840	1	Y		7	6	15	180	89	269	0	0	30,000	175,000	0
Tryon Second	Aaron Pruitt, 101 McDonald St. Tryon, N.C. 28782	Polk	1924	4	Y		0	9	2	51	84	135	0	0	45,000	120,000	0
Warrior Mountain	Herman Bright, Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970	Polk	1933	1	Y		0	0	1	37	33	70	0	0	0	44,300	2,250
Totals							95	70	121	2933	1223	4156	0	5	709,500	3,339,300	87,166

TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1961 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Sunday School Director: W.C.Pate,Jr.

Address: Route 1,Box 42 City: Tryon State: N.C. Zip: 28782

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment—Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrolment—married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrolment	63 Homebound enrolment	64 General officers enrolment	65 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	66 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	67 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	68 Number of Bible Study groups	69 Bible Study groups enrolment	70 Total enroled in Bible Study	71 Church V. B. S. enrolment	72 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	73 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Beulah	Gene Champion,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	12	16	16	0	0	22	22	0	0	14	0	106	80	0	0	106	30	0	30
Big Level	Marshall McGuinn,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	11	21	25	5	7	24	21	0	0	2	0	118	94	0	0	118	67	0	67
Byars	Roy Price, Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	1	5		7		3	7	4	0	0	4	0	31	30	0	0	31	28	0	28
Columbus	Clint Blanton,Peniel Rd.,Columbus,N.C.28722	0	13	44	45	0	36	49	21	0	0	4	0	212	129	0	0	212	90	0	90
Cooper's Gap	Glenn Burgess,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C.	10	16	13	22	24	34	40	15	0	0	4	0	237	165	0	0	178	150	0	150
Faith	Jerry Padgett,205 N.Lyles St.Landrum,S.C.	0	16	9	11	5	4	34	20	0	0	3	0	97	60	0	0	97	105	0	105
Faith Temple	Jeff Reid, Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	4	10	9	11	13	22	3	0	0	4	0	72	30	0	0	72	30	0	30
Green River	Buford Harris,Route 4,Rutherfordton,28139	0	11	16	23	22	0	18	21	0	0	4	0	126	71	0	0	126	43	0	43
Hickory Grove	Ray Pack,Route 2,Box 2522,Columbus, 28722	0	12	24	20	11	8	10	20	0	0	24	0	184	150	0	0	184	102	15	117
Midway	E.S.Burnette,Route 1,Box 764,Columbus,28722	1		2	7	11	8	22	9	0	0	8	0	65	44	0	0	65	45	0	45
Mill Spring	Claudy Pack,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.28756	0		16	13	18	9	10	18	0	0	0	0	92	47	0	0	92	62	0	62
Morgan Chapel	Roy Laughter,Route 3,Campobello,S.C.29322	0	0	16	7	11	8	18	28	0	0	2	0	77	46	0	0	77	45	0	45
Pacolet Hills	Lewis Flynn,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	4	8	9		8	18	4	2	1	2	0	58	35	1	0	58	30	0	30
Pea Ridge	Preston Boyer,Route 1,Mill Spring,28756	0	17	10	28	4	0	30	18	0	0	6	0	114	76	0	0	114	78	0	78
Peniel	Leroy Carruth,Jr.,Routel,Box 42,Tryon,N.C.	0	11	26	8	15	8	18	29	0	0	3	0	154	91	0	0	154	107	0	107
Pleasant Grove	David Gevedon,Route 2,Mill Spring,28756	9	7	19	22	11	21	35	13	0	0	2	0	139	95	0	0	139	46	50	96
Sandy Springs	Clark Strickland,Route 4,Box123,Rutherford	2	4	13	33	12	17	18	17	0	0	3	0	118	84	0	0	118	44	0	44
Silver Creek	Charles Jones,Route 2,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	13	25	7	6	17	20	22	0	0	3	0	131	85	0	0	131	79	0	79
Tryon Second	William Whitmire,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	4	13	0	0	32	0	0	6	3	0	58	30	0	0	58	31	0	31
Warrior Mountain	Donald F.Byrd,Route 1,Box 405,Saluda,28773	0	4	5	12	3	1	3	1	0	0	0	20	49	37	0	0	49	34	0	34
Totals		36	188	299	339	152	21	504	306	2	7	98	20	2238	1478	1	0	2179	1246	65	1311
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TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1981 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Church Training Director: William Painter

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: North Carolina Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	78 Equipping Centers enrolment	79 N.C.M.T. children enrolment	80 N.C.M.T. youth enrolment	81 N.C.M.T. adult enrolment	82 Hold File enrolment	83 General officers enrolment	84 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	85 Total Church Training enrolment	86 Average weekly Church Training attendance
Beulah	Hoyt ChampionmRoute 1,Box 37,Tryon,N.C. 28782	2	2	6	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	15
Big Level	Leonard Green,Route 1,Box 67,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	3	5	5	21	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	37	33
Byars	None													
Columbus	None													
Cooper's Gap	Garvin L.Pace,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	4	6	10	24	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	46	46
Faith	Mrs. Judy Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	1	8	7	32	0	0	0	0	16	2	0	66	27
Faith Temple	Ray Kuykendall,Route 1, Tryon,N.C. 28782	3	4	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	27	22
Green River	None													
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Elizabeth Burrell,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	9	20	10	50	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	94	87
Midway	Ronald Bradley, Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	2	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14
Mill Spring	Ted Pack, Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	8	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	33	21
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Bernice Holbert,Route 2,Landrum,S.C. 29356	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	6
Pacolet Hills	Hubern Chitwood,Boyce Street,Landrum,S.C. 29356	0	1	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	21	18
Pea Ridge	None													
Peniel	None													
Pleasant Grove	None													
Sandy Springs	Charlie Jolley,Route 1,Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	5	9	16	35	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	67	40
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson,Route 2,Box 63,Mill Spring,N.C.	2	3	9	28	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	45	20
Tryon Second	None													
Warrior Mountain	None													
Totals		31	66	73	268	0	0	0	0	16	28	0	483	349

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC — YEAR ENDING September 30 1981 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Music Director: Mrs. Charlene Pate,(Mrs. W.C.Pate,Jr.)

Address: Route 1 — City: Tryon — State: N.C. — Zip: 28782

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	87 Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	88 Children enrolment (6-8 years or grades 1-3)	89 Children enrolment (9-11 years or grades 4-6)	90 Youth enrolment (12-14 years or grades 7-9)	91 Youth enrolment (15-17 years or grades 10-12)	92 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	93 Handbell ringers enrolment	94 Vocal ensembles enrolment	95 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	96 General music leaders enrolment	97 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	98 Total ongoing Church Music enrolment
Beulah	David Jackson,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	2	2	3	3	5	5	0	6	0	8	0	34
Big Level	None												
Byars	Mrs. Jewel Wilson,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756												
Columbus	Jack Peterson,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	1	14	19	22	1	21	0	0	8	0	3	77
Cooper's Gap	Joe Whiteside,Route 1,Box 72,Rutherfordton-28139	0	12	10	0	18	24	0	0	0	0	0	64
Faith	Mrs. Judy Jackson,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	3	12	0	0	0	3	0	18
Faith Temple	Mrs. Jean Painter,Box 213, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	2	2	2	2	15	0	16	0	3	0	23
Green River	Miss Katherine Fagan,Chesnee,S.C. 29323	0	2	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	10	0	35
Hickory Grove	Robbie Vance,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	8	12	0	10	30	0	0	0	3	0	63
Midway	Ronald Bradley,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	3	0	3	0	18
Mill Spring	Mrs. Jo Anne Moss,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	4	4	4	6	10	0	0	0	2	0	30
Morgan Chapel	None		0	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	23
Pacolet Hills	Kevin Chitwood,113 Park Ave.Landrum,S.C. 29356	2	6	3	0	0	10	0	0	0	1	0	22
Pea Ridge	Earl Taylor,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	10	9	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Peniel	Mrs. Charlene Pate,Route 1,Box 42,Tryon,N.C. 28782	12	9	10	3	0	24	24	1	0	3	0	84
Pleasant Grove	Jerry Lawter,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	2	3	7	8	4	25	0	5	0	6	0	55
Sandy Springs	None	3	9	3	5	9	20	0	3	0	3	0	46
Silver Creek	Mrs. Grady Russell,Route 1,Box 165,Columbus,N.C.	15	9	10	5	11	21	0	0	0	3	0	72
Tryon Second	Mrs. Juanita Gosnell,Lynn,N.C.	0	0	4	0	6	9	0	0	0	2	0	21
Warrior Mtn.	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,Route 1,Box 405,Saluda,N.C.28773	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Totals		47	74	92	57	80	284	24	24	8	52	3	702

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION YEAR ENDING September 30, 1981 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational WMU Director: Mrs. Roena Smothers

Address: Route 2 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12).	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
Beulah	Mrs. Doris Champion,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	7	7	0	19	1	0	34
Big Level	None															
Byars	None															
Columbus	Mrs. Karen Wiggins,Constance St. Columbus,N.C, 28722	1	3	1	1	1	0	7	11	24	6	24	9	2	0	76
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Joyce Jackson,Route 2, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	2	1	1	1	1	0	6	15	10	13	11	11	10	0	70
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	4	6	0	0	10	3	0	23
Faith Temple	Mrs. Eleanor Cantrell,112 Stevens St.Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	2	3	8	3	0	16
Green River	Mrs. Doris Bradshaw,Route 4,Rutherfordton,N.C.28139	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	14
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Roena Smothers,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	11	19	7	14	7	6	0	55
Midway	None															
Mill Spring	Mrs. Ruby Jackson,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	0	7	6	0	9	7	0	29
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Anna Campbell,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	2	0	0	0	1	0	3	9	0	0	0	13	5	0	27
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Elsie Edwards,Route 1,Box 283,Landrum,S.C.29356	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Pea Ridge	None															
Peniel	Mrs. Gladys Durham,Route 1,Box 266, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	12
Pleasant Grove	None															
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Donnice T.Grigg,Routel,Box 242,Chesnee,S.C. 29323	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	7	5	13	5	7	1	5	43
Silver Creek	Mrs. Kenneth Williams,Route 2,Box 67,Mill Spring,N.C.	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	13	13	0	0	8	2	0	36
Tryon Second	None															
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,Route 1,Box 405,Saluda,N.C. 28773	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	5	5	1	0	11
Totals		10	10	7	6	14	1	48	70	82	54	62	126	52	5	451

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1981 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Brotherhood Director: Mr. Jerry Padgett

Address: 205 North Lyles St. City: Landrum State: South Carolina Zip: 29356

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	114 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	115 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	116 RA director and committee	117 Baptist Men enrolment-Basic	118 Baptist Men enrolment-Prayer	119 Baptist Men enrolment-Mission Action	120 Baptist Men enrolment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	121 Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	122 Enrolment of mission(s) of Church	123 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Beulah	None										
Big Level	None										
Byars	None										
Columbus	Mr. Kevin Gillie,Houston Road,Columbus,N.C. 28722	25	0	1	13	0	0	0	1	0	40
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Ted Owens, Columbus,N.C. 28722	14	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Faith	Mr.Jerry Padgett,205 N.Lyles St.Landrum,S.C. 29356	2	3	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	13
Faith Temple	None										
Green River	None										
Hickory Grove	Mr. Wayne Denton,Route 1, Tryon,N.C. 28782	10	6	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	21
Midway	None										
Mill Spring	Mr. Larry Stribling,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	11	2	5	0	0	0	3	0	21
Morgan Chapel	None										
Pacolet Hills	None										
Pea Ridge	None										
Peniel	None										
Pleasant Grove	None										
Sandy Springs	Mr.Duran Turner, Route 1,Chesnee,S.C. 29323	6	8	2	0	5	5	0	1	0	22
Silver Creek	Mr. Kenneth Williams,Route 2,Box 67,Mill Spring,N.C.	9	4	0	7	8	5	0	1	0	34
Tryon Second	None										
Warrior Mountain	None										
Totals		66	32	11	31	13	10	0	8	0	166

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING 9/30 1981 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Treasurer: Mrs. Wilma Jolley

Address: Route 1 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	23 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	27a Budget promotion or emphasis used during the year: None	Forward Program of Alternate	Committed to Ministries	Tithers Commitment	Other	27b Budget: YES	NO	124 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	125 All other receipts	126 Total receipts	127 Money borrowed during the year	128 Church staff salaries	129 Money paid out on new construction during the year	130 Debt retirement during the year	131 Church literature	132 All other local expenditures	133 Total local expenditures
Beulah	Mr. Hoyt Champion, Route 1, Box 37, Tryon, N.C.	29	8	5	v						v	31,086	0	31,086	0	4395	0	14,193	844	2692	22,124
Big Level	Mr. Floyd Dyer, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.	45	13	5	v					v		43,824	1,265	44,089	0	13200	0	0	1826	3135	18,161
Byars	Mrs. Hubert Russell, Route 1, Mill Spring	5			v						v	6,059	0	6,059	0	2220	512	0	119	1780	4,631
Columbus	Mrs. Calvin Pace, S.Peake St. Columbus, N.C.		12	3½	v					v		71,487	0	71,487	0	29964	0	466	2041	29440	61,911
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Ailene Wilson, Route 2, Mill Spring	40	10	4	v					v		99,544	0	99,544	6000	21005	25734	0	2212	4323	52,694
Faith	Mrs. Judy Arledge, Route 2, Mill Spring	42	5	4	v					v		38,112	1,205	39,317	15000	10359	64000	5449	1163	3323	84,294
Faith Temple	Mr. Arnold Odom, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.	25		3				v		v		7,022	1,082	8,104	28000	4534	28000	2849	237	1849	37,470
Green River	Mr. James Deck, Route 4, Rutherfordton, 28139	20	2	2				v		v		35,677	0	35,677	0	17797	4112	3563	756	9000	35,232
Hickory Grove	Mr. Otis Powell, Route 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356	45	7	4	v						v	56,818	2,539	59,357	6000	19969	38212	1200	2874	31525	93,778
Midway	Mr. John Gibbs, Columbus, N.C. 28722	24			v					v		38,890	1,867	40,757	0	5265	0	0	508	28085	33,859
Mill Spring	Mr. Henry Huntsinger, Route 1, Box 563, M.S.	24			v					v		19,995	0	19,995	0	7800	0	0	1144	10527	19,471
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Rachel Dill, Route 3, Campobello, S.C.	20	10		v					v		29,700	2,502	32,202	39531	6025	0	27,399	556	4294	38,275
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott, Routel, Box283, Landrum	13									v	16,077	0	16,077	0	4350	0	2,921	535	3223	10,029
Pea Ridge	Mr. Kenneth Edwards, Routel, Mill Spring, N.C.											28,929	465	29,394	0	11960	1371	1,836	466	8880	24,513
Peniel	Mr. Albert Durham, Route2, Columbus, N.C.	30			v						v	41,997	0	41,997	0	16399	5789	0	1745	17854	41,787
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Phillip Bailey, Route5, Rutherfordton	21			v						v	26,434	0	26,434	0	4440	7762	0	463	1527	14,192
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Edna McCraw, Routel, Rutherfordton, N.C.	30	10	3				v		v		51,900	0	51,900	10000	18344	0	3,488	1176	17572	40,580
Silver Creek	Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Route2, Mill Spring, 28756	40	36	3.6				v		v		33,325	0	33,325	0	16254	0	1,292	1060	8207	26,813
Tryon Second	Mrs. Frances Phillips, 209Harrell Pl. Tryon	23	7	3	v						v	16,810	0	16,810	0	5395	0	0	505	8816	15,716
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Shirley Anderson, Box 194, Saluda, 28773	10	10	5			v			v		14,152	0	14,152	0	2640	0	2,150	700	4997	10,487
Totals												707,837	10,925	719,763	132531	313915	174892	66,806	20930	142049	687,017

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES — YEAR ENDING ~~September 30~~, 1961 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Clerk: Mrs. Jean (Bill) Painter

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: N. C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	134 Money paid out on new construction during the year	135 All other church sponsored mission expenditures	136 Total church sponsored mission expenditures	137 Cooperative Program	138 Associational missions program	139 Designated: State missions	140 Designated: SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	141 Designated: SB Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	142 Designated: SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	143 Designated: SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	144 Designated: SB Hospitals	145 Designated: SB Homes for the aged	146 Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	147 Total other mission cause expenditures	148 Grand Total Mission expenditures
		CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
Beulah	Mr.Hoyt Champion,Routel,Box37,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0	2490	1554	25	580	602	0	75	0	0	972	3808	6298
Big Level	Mrs.Emma Hicks,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	3762	1880	0	305	768	0	0	0	0	1270	4223	7985
Byars	Mrs. Hubert Russell,Routel,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	0	0	95	220	0	0	95	0	0	0	0	68	3383	478
Columbus	Mrs. N.L.Masternick,Box 73,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	7194	2219	135	588	1358	0	0	0	0	281	4581	11775
Cooper's Gap	Mrs.Barbara Dalton,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	17323	17323	6696	1980	0	2001	3052	500	0	0	555	0	8088	32107
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley,Route 1,Columbus,N.C.28722	0	0	0	1083	920	780	512	2411	0	250	0	0	3307	8190	9263
Faith Temple	Mrs.Doris Blackwell,Route2,Box678,Mill Spring	0	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	55	20	0	0	95	115
Green River	Mrs. Pauline Henson,Routel,Box 216,Tryon,N.C,	0	0	0	700	500	234	213	705	0	0	0	0	0	1653	2352
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Doris Steadman,Route2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	3447	1910	690	710	852	0	0	0	0	261	4423	7871
Midway	Mrs. Ray Mills,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	364	416	176	62	108	0	0	0	0	320	1082	1446
Mill Spring	Mrs.Hazel Huntsinger,Routel,Box563,Mill Spring	0	0	0	400	300	214	250	1000	0	0	0	0	0	1764	2164
Morgan Chapel	Mrs.Edith Thompson,Routel,Box359,Tryon,N.C.	0	0	0	1442	300	58	195	435	0	0	0	0	60	1048	2490
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott,Routel,Box 283,Landrum,S.C.	0	0	0	400	175	100	191	227	0	90	0	0	218	1001	1401
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Jeannette Rickman,Routel,Box337,Mill Spring	0	0	0	233	440	0	0	337	0	400	400	0	0	1617	1850
Peniel	Mr. Bill Holbert,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0	0	240	476	516	2996	0	240	0	118	4114	8700	8700
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. James Hodge,Route5,Box439,Rutherfordton	0	0	0	90	600	0	0	0	0	1487	115	0	9609	11811	11901
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Donnice T.Grigg,Routel,Box 242,Chesnee,S.C.	0	0	0	3958	1221	76	119	1089	0	0	0	0	548	3053	7011
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson,Route2,Box163,Mill Spring	0	0	0	1200	1200	725	700	1200	0	0	0	0	675	4500	5700
Tryon Second	Mrs. Lavna Metcalf,Box144,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0	1104	440	42	90	160	0	0	0	0	0	732	1836
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,Route 1,Box 405,Saluda 28773	0	0	0	1070	508	225	165	250	0	0	0	0	180	1318	2388
Totals		0	17323	17323	35742	17023	3956	7217	17743	500	2297	535	673	20883	71771	124836

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING September 30 1981 (Month & Day)

POLK ASSOCIATION

State: North Carolina

Moderator: Rev. John Godfrey

Address: Route 2 (City) Mill Spring (State) N.C. (Zip) 28756

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year	31 No. other-type missions currently operating	32 No. New Sunday School Members	33 Christian day school enrolment	34 ($) Annie Armstrong Offering	35 No. of adult Sunday school classes	36 N= none TV= TV R= radio B= both	37 Number of revivals	38 No. of Spanish Sunday School Classes	39 No. of college students baptized	40 No. of persons who served in a missions/evangelism project
Beulah	Hugh Champion,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0	0	0	0	580	2	N	2	0	0	0
Big Level	Gary McGuinn,Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	8	0	305	6	N	2	0	0	0
Byars	Marvin Wilson,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	N	1	0	0	0
Columbus	Irvin Gillie,Houston Road,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	25	0	588	6	N	0	0	0	0
Cooper's Gap	Paul Whitesides,Route 2,Box489,Mill Spring,N.C.28756	0	0	0	0	4	0	2001	6	N	2	0	0	0
Faith	Jack L.Jolley,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	10	0	512	3	N	0	0	0	0
Faith Temple	Robert Painter, Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	N	1	0	0	0
Green River	Garland Walker,Route 11,Box 277,Spartanburg,S.C.	0	0	0	0	5	0	213	5	N	1	0	0	0
Hickory Grove	Earl Steadman,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	586	8	N	1	0	0	1
Midway	W.A.Mills, Route 1, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	2	N	2	0	0	0
Mill Spring	Raymond Owens,Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	5	0	250	3	N	1	0	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Dale Fox,Route 1,Box 35,Campobello,S.C. 29322	0	0	0	0	4	0	195	2	N	2	0	0	0
Pacolet Hills	Clifford Stott,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	191	4	N	1	0	0	0
Pea Ridge	Preston Bowyer,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	N	1	0	0	0
Peniel		0	0	0	0	5	0	516	3	N	1	0	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Alvin Bailey,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	N	2	0	0	0
Sandy Springs	Charlie Jolley,Route 1, Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0	0	0	0	0	0	119	7	N	2	0	0	0
Silver Creek	Boyce L.Jackson,Route 2,Box 63,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	0	0	0	15	0	700	6	N	1	0	0	0
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Tryon Second	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
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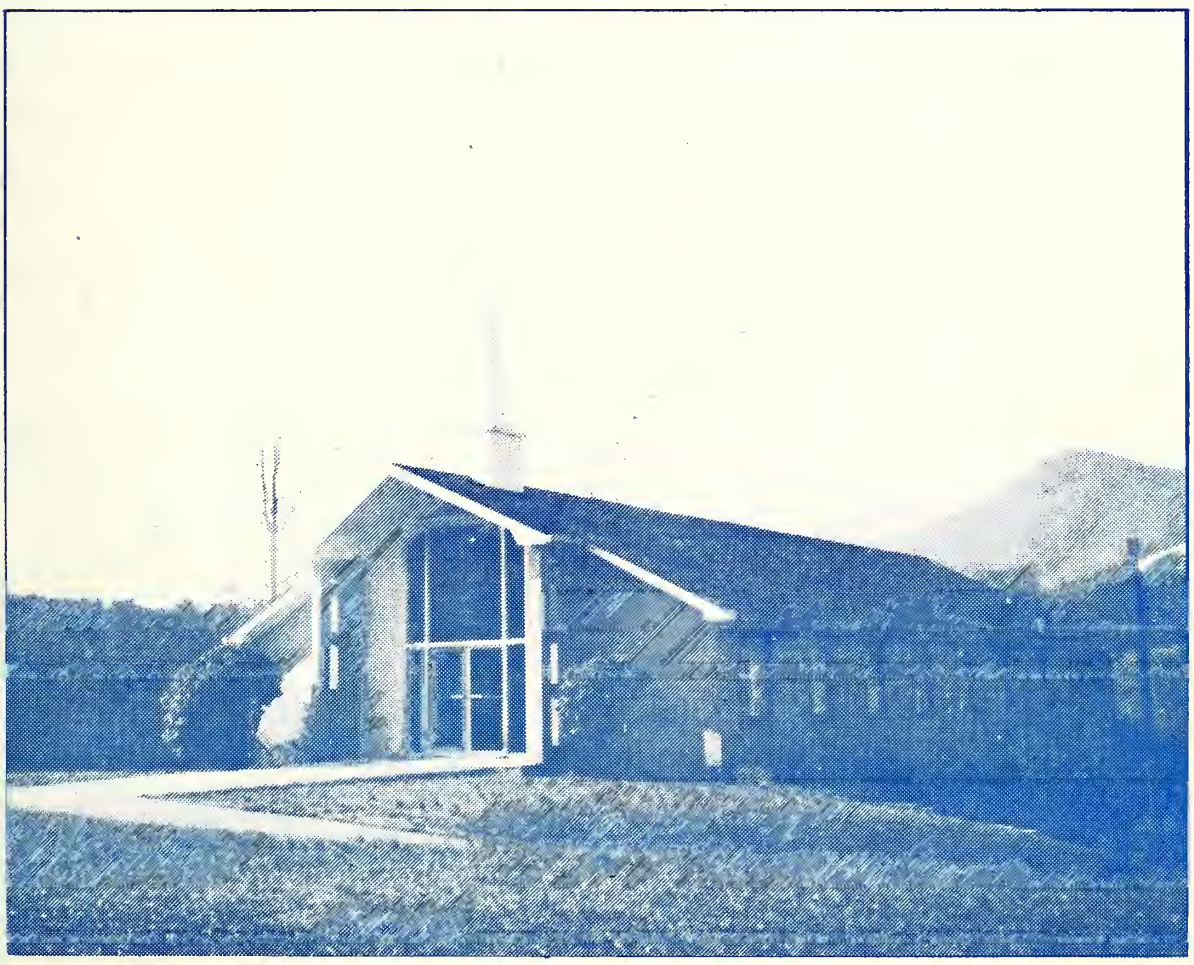

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OF

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Of

Columbus, North Carolina

Meeting With

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

October 21, 1982

Rev. John Godfrey, *Moderator*

Mrs. William Painter, *Clerk*

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MRS. WILMA JOLLEY

At the Thirteenth Annual Meeting of Polk Baptist Association Mrs. Wilma Jolley was presented a Bible in honor of her service for the thirteen years this association has been organized. From its beginning Mrs. Jolley has been an invaluable asset serving in several capacities. At one time she was both clerk and treasurer. For all thirteen years she has served as treasurer without any renumeration. It is no easy task to keep up with all the monies in an association, but Mrs. Jolley does an excellent job without a word of complaint.

Mrs. Jolley is deeply appreciated and loved by all. This year the Polk Baptist Association thought it timely and fitting to express its sincere gratitude to her by dedicating the Minutes For 1982 to Mrs. Wilma Jolley, a faithful dedicated worker for thirteen years. This Association prays that God will bless her with good health and happiness and that she will have many more years in the future to serve Him.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1982-83

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. Houston Moses
Clerk ..... Mrs. William Painter
Treasurer ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Historian ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Parliamentarian ..... Rev. Jack Weaver
Director of Missions ..... Rev. M.R. Simpson

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

Sunday School* ..... Rev. John Godfrey
Church Training* ..... Rev. Wesley Price
V.B.S. Director* ..... Mrs. Melba Gregory
W.M.U. Director ..... Mrs. Roena Smothers
Brotherhood Director* ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
Music Director* ..... Mr. Robbie Vance

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Annuity Board ..... Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr.
Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Baptist Foundation ..... Mr. Jack Jolley
Baptist Homes For Aging ..... Mr. Loyd Jackson
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Baptist Student Union ..... Mrs. Loretta Vance
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Benson Hodge
Christian Education ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Donald Byrd
Christian Stewardship and
The Cooperative Program ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions ..... Rev. John Rogers
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
Radio and T.V. Commission ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant
North Carolina State General Board ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

**Previously approved by Association Executive Committee*

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Chairman
Rev. John Rogers

PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Polk Baptist Association met for their thirteenth annual meeting at the Faith Baptist Church on October 21, 1982 at 2:00 p.m.

The theme for the meeting was "Let us make Bold Mission a Reality."

Rev. John Godfrey, moderator; called the meeting to order.

Our call to worship was "O Worship the King", led by Judy Jackson followed by scripture and prayer by Rev. Terry Pleasant, pastor of Morgan Chapel Baptist Church.

Rev. John Rogers, pastor of the Faith Baptist Church gave up a hearty welcome.

The declaration of the 13th annual program was given by Rev. John Godfrey with adaptation of the program by Rev. John Edwards.

Rev. M.R. Simpson presented the Book of Reports.

The moderator introduced the following new personnel and visitors Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr., interim pastor at Sandy Springs Baptist Church, Steve Ayers, Hugh Starnes, Luther Osment.

The associational budget was presented by Mrs. Jack Jolley with motion to adopt with a second.

The Annuity report was given by Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr.

Leroy McCraw gave the report on the Baptist Children's Home and the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter and brought to our attention the financial need of the Youth Shelter and also introduced Rev. Luther Osment, who brought greetings and expressed his appreciation to the Polk Association for their support and love shown to the children at the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter and across the state.

The Baptist Home for the Aging Report was given by Rev. Lee Gregory, pastor of Silver Creek Baptist Church. Hugh Starnes was introduced and brought the following report: 1/4 of Baptists in North Carolina are over 65 years of age, and 5000 people in the U.S.A. reach 65 years of age every day. The average age for applicant in the home for the aging is 80.

The Baptist Hospital report was introduced by Rev. Bill Painter who expressed his personal gratitude for the care given to the Blackwell family during their daughter's death there. The chaplains and everyone on staff were gracious and helpful. Rev. Steve Ayers, pastor of the Caroleen Baptist Church was called to give this report. He told us about some of the new equipment available to patients at Baptist Hospital; he also described the facility as a caring institution.

At this time Rev. Wesley Price was called to make a special presentation. A Bible and plaque were presented to Mrs. Wilma Jolley for 13 years of service to the association.

A motion was made that we accept the Green Creek First Church into our fellowship with a second. Voted by saying aye. The pastor, Rev. Jack Weaver was recognized and 3 members from Green Creek introduced and welcomed.

Adoption of report was made with a second followed by a hymn "Blessed

Assurance" sung by the congregation and again led by Judy Jackson. Our hearts were blessed as we enjoyed special music by a duet from the Green Creek Church.

The annual sermon by Rev. Lee Gregory was inspiring and soul-searching. He spoke to us on the subject: "Does your identity show?" and the question was asked: "If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you? Some of his inspiring remarks were as follows: The Christian identification badge is love. "Love is the only evidence to convince the world"; "Doctrine can be straight as a gun barrel and just as empty." "Knowledge puffs up — love builds up." Jesus does not ask us to die for Him — He asks us to LIVE for Him.

Following a break we were called to order by singing the hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Judy Jackson and the following report was given by Rev. Benson Hodge for the Christian Action League. He challenged us to vote for the candidates that will vote against alcoholism and obscenity.

The following missions reports were given. Rev. George Lynch gave the Christian Stewardship report and challenged us to give as God has blessed us.

The North Carolina Missions report was a video presentation that was both challenging and informative.

The following organizational reports were given:

The Church Training report was given by Rev. William Painter. He expressed his appreciation to all the churches that have church training for the work done during the year and also expressed the hope that others would start Church Training in their churches.

Howard Phillips who is the new Brotherhood director spoke to this report and challenged our hearts to be busy and work for the advancement of God's Kingdom.

The W.M.U. report was given by Mrs. Reona Smothers followed by the Vacation Bible School report by Mrs. Lee Gregory.

Mrs. William Painter gave the report of the Executive Committee and thanked the clerks for the prompt way they turned in their reports.

The Finance report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley.

Rev. George Lynch gave the Committee on Committees report. Followed by the report of the historian, Mrs. Miriam Arledge.

After the singing of a hymn the Time, Preacher, and Place report was given by Mrs. Kenneth Williams. Time-October 20, 1983 — Place-Green River Baptist Church — Preacher-Rev. John Edwards.

Rev. John Edwards, chairman of the Evangelism Committee announced that the associational revival will be held November 7-10 at the Green Creek Baptist Church, Rev. Kenneth Ridings, will be the guest speaker. He asked us to designate $20 from each church to pay for the expenses of the revival.

The Memorials report was given by Mrs. Doris Bradshaw who read the names followed by prayer by Mrs. Helen Godfrey.

Following the memorials report we saw the remainder of the video tape after which we broke for dinner.

We reconvened at 7:00 after a delicious meal furnished by the following

churches: Beulah, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, and Silver Creek.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, vice-moderator presided over the evening session.

We opened the session easily with a congregational hymn led by Robbie Vance, associational music director followed by scripture and prayer by Rev. Jack Weaver, pastor of Green Creek First Church.

The special music was rendered by Robbie Vance who sang - "My Tribute - To God be the Glory."

Rev. Lawrence Stewart spoke to us about the Mountain State 200 and some of the needs in West Virginia and also showed us some slides that touched our hearts.

The Resolution committee report was read by the vice-moderator.

There was a motion made that we accept the reports with a second.

The following were nominated to serve on the committee on committees: Rev. John Godfrey, Rev. Jack Weaver, Rev. Dillard Davidson, and Rev. John Edwards.

Rev. Marshall Simpson was called to give the Director of Missions report. He also asked that we get involved in the West Virginia project.

The associational choir performed under the direction of Robbie Vance; Numbers included, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder", "Praise Ye The Lord", and "Hallelujah, I Love Him."

Rev John Godfrey was called to introduce the speaker, Dr. Wayne Blackwood of Ellenboro, N.C. who brought a challenging message to us. His remarks were based on I Chronicles 28:9.

Our meeting closed with benediction and prayer of dedication for new officers for 1982-1983.

Respectively submitted,
Mrs. William Painter
Associational clerk

PROGRAM FOR THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Faith Baptist Church

THEME: *"Let Us Make Bold Missions A Reality"*

2:00 Call to Worship-"O Worship The King" #20 ..... Mr. Robbie Vance, Director Music Polk Baptist Assoc.
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant
Welcome-Host Pastor ..... Rev. John Rogers
2:15 Declaration of 13th Annual P..... Rev. John Godfrey
Adoption of Program ..... Rev. Houston Moses
Presentation of Book of Reports ..... Rev. M.T. Simpson
Introduction of New Personnel and Visitors ..... Moderator
2:25 Business Session
Associational Budget ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Annuity ..... Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr.
2:35 Baptist Children's Homes
and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Baptist Home For The Aging ..... Mr. Loyd Jackson
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Baptist Foundation ..... Mr. Jack Jolley
3:00 Adoption of Reports
Hymn-"Blessed Assurance" #269 ..... Mr. Robbie Vance
Special Music
3:15 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Lee Gregory
3:45 Break (10 Minutes)
3:55 Hymn-"Leaning On The Everlasting Arm" #371 ... Mr. Robbie Vance
4:00 American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Christian Education ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Baptist Student Union ..... Mrs. Loretta Vance
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Donald Byrd
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Benson Hodge
4:20 Missions
Christian Stewardship ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions (Video) ..... Rev. John Rogers
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
4:45 Reports of Organizations
Sunday School ..... Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr.
Church Training ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Brotherhood ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
W.M.U. ..... Mrs. Roena Smothers
Music ..... Mr. Robbie Vance
V.B.S. ..... Mrs. Lee Gregory

5:00 Executive Committee Report ..... Mrs. William Painter
5:05 Finance Report ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Committee on Committees Report ..... Rev. George Lynch
5:15 Nominating Committee .....Mr. Leroy McCraw
5:20 Historian .....Mrs. Miriam Arledge
5:25 Hymn-"Send The Light" #457 .....Mr. Robbie Vance
5:30 Time, Preacher, Place Report ..... Mr. Kenneth Williams
5:35 Evangelism ..... Rev. John Edwards
5:45 Memorials ..... Mrs. Doris Bradshaw
6:00 Break For Evening Meal

EVENING SESSION FOR THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING-POLK

Our Theme-*"Let Us Make Bold Missions A Reality"*

7:00 Hymn-"Bring Them In" #429 .....Mr. Robbie Vance
7:05 Scripture and Prayer .....Rev. Aaron Pruitt
Special Music
7:15 Mountain State 200 ..... Rev. Lawrence Stewart, Beckley, West Virginia
7:45 Business (Addition and Unfin.)
Radio nd Television Min. .....Rev. Terry Pleasant
General Board Representative .....Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Director of Missions Report ..... Rev. M.R. Simpson
7:55 Resolutions .....Mrs. Ladd Edwards
8:00 Adoption of Reports and Program
8:05 Polk Baptist Associational Choir ..... Mr. Robbie Vance, Director
8:30 Message of CHALLENGE .....Dr. Wayne Blackwood, Ellenboro, N.C.
Benediction and Prayer of Dedication for New Officers for 1982-83

Adjourn until October 20, 1983 at Green River Baptist Church

We trust that you have each been challenged to GREATER HEIGHTS as you sat and heard these reports and messages. May we each go to our respective churches saying, "It was good to be at our Associational Meeting at Faith, and I am resolved to do my part to make BOLD MISSIONS A REALITY in 1983."

May God bless and keep you.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N. C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches. The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office

as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V – ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nomination committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI – COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of $1.50 each.

SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs for the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.
2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Article I - RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article II - PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Director of Missions:

PART I. Duties: The Director of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duty will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Director of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Director of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Director of Missions is permitted to conduct two one week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as he is physically possible. The services of the Director of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Director of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Director of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Director shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Director of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - SECTION II: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, more than 150-20 copies.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XV: Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVII (Committees): Recreation Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVIII (Committees): Youth Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE V - SECTION III: That the Associational Senior Co-ordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "a" before the "Music Director"; adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Co-ordinator."

ARTICLE V - SECTION IV: That the official title, "Superintendent of Missions" be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title "Director of Missions."

ARTICLE IV, Section II: (Reception of Churches) - Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from "The churches so received to "A newly established Southern Baptist Church or churches so received" - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: "An older - established Southern Baptist Church or churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watch care of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present."

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XIX: The following committees are to serve on a rotation basis: Audio-Visual Aids, Committee on Committees, Constitutional Changes Committee, Evangelism Committee, Memorials Committee, Nominating Committee, Ordination Committee, Place and Preacher Committee, Reception and Location of Churches Committee, Resolutions Committee, Recreation Committee, and Youth Committee. If the Committee is composed of three members one member shall rotate annually. If the committee is composed of six members two members shall rotate annually.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the Association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy. Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies - 150 or less - 15 copies - More than 150 - 20 copies.

PART 6. Our Association shall be grouped into four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches shall join the association equal distribution shall be made.

Group 1 - Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Pleasant Grove, and Faith Temple.

Group 2 - Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, and Beulah.

Group 3 - Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, and Green Creek.

Group 4 - Columbus, Peniel, Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain.

Each group will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

Non Rotating Committees

BUDGET AND FINANCE
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman
Consists of Directors of Departments, plus Moderator and Treasurer

MISSIONS COMMITTEE
Consists of all Officers and Directors of Departments
(Elects its own Chairman)

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Chairman
Rev. William Painter
Mr. Loyd Jackson

PROGRAM AND CALENDAR
General Officers and Heads of Departments

ASSOCIATIONAL SENIOR COORDINATOR
Mr. A.E. Morgan

TRUSTEES
Mr. Jack Jolley
Mr. Ted Owens
Mr. Earl Taylor

MEDIA CENTER DIRECTOR
Mrs. Millie Simpson

Rotating Committees

EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE
(1983) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
(1984) Rev. M.R. Simpson, Chmn.
(1985) Rev. Wesley Price

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES
(1983) Rev. George Lynch
(1984) Mr. John Gibbs
(1985) Mr. Glenn Burgess, Chmn.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE
(1983) Rev. Lee Gregory
(1984) Mr. Glenn Burgess
(1985) Rev. John Edwards, Chmn.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
(1983) Mr. Leroy McCraw
(1984) Rev. John Rogers, Chmn.
(1985) Rev. Dillard Davidson

ORDINATION COMMITTEE
(1983) Mr. Grover Whitmire
(1983) Rev. Lee Gregory
(1984) Rev. Houston Moses, Chmn.
(1984) Rev. George Lynch
(1985) Rev. Herman Bright
(1985) Rev. Dillard Davidson

PLACE AND PREACHER
(1983) Mr. Joe Owensby
(1984) Mr. Kenneth Williams
(1985) Mr. Paul Whiteside, Chmn.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
(1983) Mrs. Larry Stott
(1984) Mrs. Ladd Edwards
(1985) Mrs. Jo Ann Moss, Chmn.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE
(1983) Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Chmn.
(1984) Mrs. Helen Godfrey
(1985) Mrs. Opal Edwards

RECREATION COMMITTEE
(1983) Mr. Joe Owensby, Chmn.
(1984) Rev. Benson Hodge
(1985) Mr. Ronnie Champion

YOUTH COMMITTEE
(1983) Mr. Robbie Vance, Chmn.
(1983) Rev. Aaron Pruitt
(1984) Mrs. Debbie Jackson
(1984) Mrs. Patricia Case
(1985) Mr. David Moore
(1985) Rev. Terry Pleasant

RECEPTION & LOCATION OF CHURCHES
(1983) Rev. John Godfrey, Chmn.
(1984) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
(1985) Rev. John Edwards

Respectively submitted,
George Lynch, Chairman
Lee Gregory
Dillard Davidson

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1981 - 82

Beginning Balance Oct. 1, 1981		$15,695.89
Contributions:		
Churches:		
Regular	$19,957.17	
West Va.	1,206.40	
Steve Hardin	620.00	
Total Churches		21,783.57
Other:		
W.M.U.	$ 7.05	
Baptist State Con.	2,199.93	
V.B.S. Travel Ref.	10.80	
Mission Outlet (T.)	71.28	
M.R. & Millie S.	650.00	
Larry Thompson	50.00	
Lee Pace	20.00	
Total Others		3,009.06
To Be Accounted For		$40,488.52
Less Expenses		30,250.65
Balance		$10,237.87
Interest		2,465.26
Ending Bal. Sept. 30, 1982		$12,703.13
Money Certificate		$29,000.00
Youth Fund (Harry Gibson)		3,417.12

EXPENSES:

Salary	$4500.00
Secretary	2500.00
Utilities	2200.00
Mill Spring (Space)	410.00
Telephone	404.98
Petty Cash	500.00
Sunday School	31.87
W.M.U.	329.90
V.B.S.	224.87
Brotherhood	45.00
Assoc. Min.	676.00
Youth	100.00
Revival	100.00
Conv. (S.B.)	315.00
Annuity	1,066.68
Christmas Gift	300.00
Assoc. Travel	74.40
Folding Machine	546.00
T.V.	318.95
Audio V. Equip.	625.65
Repair Typewriter	70.45
Stewardship Meal	150.00
Assoc. Flag Mat.	15.90
Flowers (Mrs. Hardin's Fun)	25.00
Thermal Belt Youth	300.00
W. Va. Gloria Chapel	1,800.00
Steve Hardin	620.00
Money Certificate	12,000.00
Total	$30,250.65

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1981-82

CHURCHES	REGULAR	W. VA.	STEVE HARDIN
Beulah	$2,086.78	$97.00	
Big Level	2,240.00		$410.00
Columbus	2,407.19		
Cooper's Gap	3,329.85		300.00
Faith	1,000.00	140.00	
Faith Temple	20.00		
Green River	600.00		
Hickory Grove	2,230.88		
Midway	520.00	52.05	
Mill Spring	400.00	120.00	
Morgan Chapel	300.00		
Pacolet Hills			
Pea Ridge	440.00	100.00	
Peniel	300.00	250.00	
Pleasant Grove	675.00	20.00	
Sandy Springs	1,064.00	112.35	
Silver Creek	1,500.00	180.00	
Tryon Second	542.77		
Warrior Mountain	300.00	135.00	
Total	$19,957.17	$1,206.40	$710.00

CAMP LAND REPORT FOR 1981-82

Balance Oct. 1, 1981	$ 1,752.71
Receipts	9,000.00
Total	$10,752.71
Interest on Certificate	1,349.56
Interest on Savings	376.46
Bal. Ending Sept. 30, 1982	$12,478.73

Money Certificate $10,000.00

FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT FOR POLK BAPT. ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	REGULAR	W. VA.	STEVE
Beulah	$ 372.24	$30.00	
Big Level	350.00		$120.00
Columbus	811.84		
Cooper's Gap	1,068.52		300.00
Faith	500.00	50.00	
Faith Temple	20.00		
Green River	400.00		
Hickory Grove	614.84		
Midway	130.00		
Mill Spring	200.00		
Morgan Chapel	75.00		
Pacolet Hills			
Pea Ridge			
Peniel	120.00	75.00	
Pleasant Grove	150.00		
Sandy Springs	248.00	40.00	
Silver Creek	375.00	60.00	
Tryon Second	143.98		
Warrior Mountain		60.00	
Totals	$5,579.42	$315.00	$420.00

CAMPLAND FUND FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
FOURTH QUARTER

Beginning Bal. July 1, 1982	$ 9,746.71
Receipts	2,250.00
Total	$11,996.70
Interest on Cert.	333.37
Interest on Savings	148.65
Total	$12,478.73

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT - 1982

Beginning Bal. July 1, 1982		$22,339.87
Contributions:		
Churches:		
Regular	$5,579.42	
West Va. Missions	315.00	
Steve Hardin (W. Va.)	420.00	
Total Churches	$6,314.42	
Others:		
Bapt. State Conv.	$ 499.98	
The Simpsons (W.Va.)	150.00	
Total	$ 649.98	
Total Contributions		$ 6,964.40
Interest		552.57
To Be Accounted For:		$29,856.84
Less Expenses		5,153.71
Balance		$24,703.13
Less Money Certificate		12,000.00
Ending Balance Sept. 30, 1982		$12,703.13

Expenses	
Salary	$ 1,125.00
Secretary	625.03
Utilities	550.03
Petty Cash	230.00
Mill Spring C. (Space)	120.00
Telephone	121.68
Annuity	266.67
W.M.U. (Ridgecrest)	329.90
Brotherhood (Caraway)	45.00
Travel: Key 1. L. Range P.	74.40
Harper's Brothers (Folder)	546.00
Steve Hardin (W.Va.)	420.00
West Va. Gloria Chapel	600.00
Thermal Belt Youth S.	100.00
Total	$ 5,153.71
Money Certificate	12,000.00
Total	$17,153.71

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1982 - 83

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:

Sunday School	$250.00
Church Training	250.00
W.M.U.	500.00
V.B.S.	350.00
Brotherhood	100.00
Music	300.00
Associational Speakers	200.00
Associational Minutes	800.00
Evangelism	300.00
Video Tapes, Films, Aids	400.00
Youth Program	300.00
TOTAL	$3,750.00

II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:

Office Space and Utilities	$ 480.00
Printing and Supplies	500.00
Telephone	400.00
Petty Cash, Postage, etc.	760.00
TOTAL	$2,140.00

III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES:

Salary	$4,500.00
Secretary	2,800.00
Utilities and Housing	2,500.00
TOTAL	$9,800.00

IV. OTHER EXPENSES:

Southern, State, Evang. Conv.	$1,000.00
Annuity	1,080.00
Christmas Gifts:	
Director of Missions	300.00
Secretary	200.00
Youth Shelter	530.00
Association Travel (20¢ per Mile)	600.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
TOTAL	$4,210.00
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET	$19,900.00

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman, Rev. John Edwards
Rev. John Godfrey, Mrs. Charlene Pate,
Rev. Bill Pate, Mrs. Roena Smothers

The West Virginia Project was omitted. The Budget Committee is leaving the amount pledged to West Virginia for each individual church to determine the amount for each month. However, the committee hopes that Polk Association will send $2,400 for 1982-83.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
February 1982

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Mill Spring Baptist Church on February 7, at 2:30 P.M. Rev. Wesley Price was in charge of the devotions. A roll call of churches by the clerk showed that 13 churches were represented. The Moderator called for a report of committees. No committee reported.

The Moderator then gave a call for new business. Rev. Marshall Simpson reported that the Long Range Planning Committee had met and Ted Owens had been elected as chairman. This Committee will bring a full report to our next meeting in May.

Rev. Simpson then spoke to those present concerning the West Virginia project. Two churches have already given to the project. The commitment for our Association is $200 a month. To date we have only $75 a month in pledges.

Rev. Simpson then reminded us of the World Missions Conference to be held May 5-8, 1983. He urged that all churches prepare now for this project-for instance put it in the church budget to provide lodging, meals and travel expenses for the missionaries.

There was a call for new business. Glenn Burgess asked for a report on "The Invitation To Life". General comments agreed that the preaching was good. They were disappointed in the telephone arrangements. There should have been a toll free number.

Rev. Benson Hodge representing the Christian Action League asked for our support and prayers for the League and the work that they do. He challenged us to take a firm stand as Christians against Alcoholism.

Rev. Bill Pate expressed a desire to have Sunday School Directors and pastors to get together for a time of sharing effective methods for increasing our Sunday School attendance by becoming more involved and improving the quality of our Bible teaching.

We were reminded of the Valentine Banquet at the Peniel Church on February 16th for pastors and wives.

Rev. Tom Hudson, the new pastor at Pacolet Hills, was introduced and brought greetings.

After a motion to adjourn with a second the Polk Baptist Executive Committee Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
April 25, 1982

Rev. John Godfrey called the Executive Committee Meeting to order at 2:30 P.M. at Mill Spring on April 25, 1982. Mr. Glenn Burgess led a devotional from Col. 3:15.

A roll call of churches showed 14 churches and 8 pastors present. Mr. Glenn Burgess announced the beginning of a Gideon Camp in Polk County.

Mr. Ted Owens called a meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee for Thursday, April 29th, at the Associational Office at 7:30 P.M.

Rev. Melvin Stallings, Interim pastor at Pea Ridge was recognized.

Rev. Simpson stressed "Here's Hope Revivals and urged that churches keep a good report of attendance and decisions. Also, he urged the churches to pray and witness. He stated that all the churches need to get involved in West Virginia Project.

Rev. Bill Painter brought to our attention the need to elect a member on the Thermal Youth Shelter Committee to take Rev. Steve Hardin's place. He also made a motion that we send a note of appreciation to the Honrines for faithful service at the shelter. Motion seconded and carried unanimously.

An announcement was made of the Pastors' Conference that would meet at Peniel Church on May 3 at 10 A.M.

Motion made to adjourn. The benediction was given by Rev. Dillard Davidson.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
August 1, 1982

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Mill Spring Church on August 1 at 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. John Godfrey, Moderator. Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. led in prayer followed by a reading from the scriptures and prayer by Rev. Godfrey.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved as read. A roll call of the churches found that 12 churches were represented.

Rev. Simpson, Director of Missions reported that 6 churches had expressed interest in the World Mission Conference to be held in May 1983. He stated that we need to know how many churches will participate.

The Moderator gave a call for any new business. Mr. Leroy McCraw, representing the Nominating Committee gave the following nominations:

Church Training Director - Rev. Wesley Price
Vacation Bible School D. - Mrs. Melba Gregory
Brotherhood - Mr. Howard Phillips
W.M.U. - Mrs. Roena Smothers

These Directors for 1983 were accepted unanimously.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw of the Missions Committee brought the following report: We will again ask for Option I in our request to the Convention. We will ask for $2000 this year, the money to be used to buy office equipment for the Associational Office. Motion made and seconded. Unanimously accepted.

Rev. John Edwards, representing the Pastors' Conference asked the Association to buy a heavy duty stapler for about $152 and a folding machine for $525 for office use. Motion made and carried.

Mr. Ted Owens, Chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee, reported that they had met and had determined the three areas of need; 1. Education 2. Expansion 3. Housing and Office Space. The last area was the most urgent. It was recommended that the Executive Committee appoint a committee to look into housing for the Associational facilities and make some recommendations to the Executive Committee before the annual session. Motion made with a second. Discussion followed. An amendment was made by Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. He moved that the present group of Trustees, Mr. Ted Owens, Mr. Jack Jolley, and Mr. Earl Taylor, serve as this committee. This motion was approved.

Mrs. Jack Jolley, Treasurer, gave the budget report noting changes from last year's budget. There was a motion made with a second to adopt this report. A second was voiced and the budget was approved.

Mrs. Simpson reminded the pastors and families of the picnic to be held September 3 at Holmes Park.

Key Leadership will be held after churches elect new officers.

Rev. Simpson brought attention to the financial trouble of the Youth Shelter. He encouraged the churches to include an amount for this shelter in their budget. Mr. Leroy McCraw encouraged the churches to do more as he had challenged Sandy Springs.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw invited all the pastors, treasurers, and finance chairmen to the next pastors' conference. Mr. Sam Neal, from the annuity Board, will be the guest speaker. All churches were urged to be represented.

Rev. Bradshaw also announced that the Green Creek Baptist Church had voted to come into our Association. The pastor, Rev. Jack Weaver, was present and welcomed. He brought greetings from Green Creek.

A motion to adjourn was made and Rev. Houston Moses closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

CALLED MEETING OF EXECUTIVE MEETING FOR POLK BAPTIST
August 29, 1982

The Executive Committee of Polk Baptist Association was called for a special meeting on August 29, 1982 at Mill Spring Baptist Church at 2:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions. Rev. George Lynch led the devotional, and we were inspired by his words.

After the devotional the following business was transacted:

1. A letter of application for membership into our Association was presented from the Green Creek Baptist Church. There was a motion made with a second that we accept the application. The vote was unanimous.

2. Rev. John Rogers representing the Nominating Committee brought the following nominations to fill the vacancies left by Rev. Bill Pate, Director of Sunday School, and Charlene Pate, Associational Music Director:

Rev. John Godfrey - Director of Sunday School
Mr. Robbie Vance - Associational Music Director

These officers were unanimously approved.

Rev. Fred Rhodes, pastor of Columbus Baptist Church, informed us that he has several tapes that he will share with the Association. Rev. Simpson reminded us that the Associational Office has a video recorder to go with these tapes that is available to all the churches.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1982 - 83

NOVEMBER — BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION MONTH

1	World Day of Prayer-Morgan Chapel—2 Programs 10 A.M. and 6 P.M. Covered dish lunch at 12 and 6.
1-7	Royal Ambassador Week in the Churches
7	Gardner Webb Ministerial Day
7-13	Royal Ambassador Week (S.B.C.)
8	Pastors' Conf. at Mill Spring Baptist at 7:30 P.M.
13-14	Baptist Men's Convention at Fayetteville, N.C.
14-17	Foreign Mission Study Week
15-17	North Carolina Baptist State Conv. at Fayetteville
16	Foreign Mission Study at Hickory Grove at 7 P.M. This study will be lead by Rev. Richard McBride of Gardner-Webb
22	"M" night at Midway Baptist Church at 7 P.M.
23	Church-wide Prayer Retreat led by Miss Martha Franks at Columbus Baptist Church. Special emphasis for Acteens, 7 P.M.
25	Thanksgiving Day
28-Dec. 5	Week of Prayer For Foreign Missions

DECEMBER — FOREIGN MISSION MONTH-LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

1-5	Week of Prayer For Foreign Missions
5	Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School
14	Pastors and Wives Fellowship Supper
18	Fruitland Fall Graduation
25	Christmas Day
26	Student Day at Christmas

JANUARY—BIBLE STUDY MONTH-FIRST PETER IS THE BOOK

1	New Year's Day
3	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
4	Fruitland-Winter Quarter Begins
3-7	January Bible Study
7-8	Home Mission Teacher Training - Caraway
21-22	Associational Bold Growth Training (Enablers) - Fruitland
23	Baptist Men's Day
25-26	General Board Meeting - Caraway Conference Center
26-27	Directors of Mission Staff Meeting - Caraway
31-Feb. 1	Sunday School.- Teach-Win-Develop Clinics

FEBRUARY — W.M.U. FOCUS WEEK

6	Exec. Committee Mtg. at Mill Spring Baptist at 2:20 P.M.
7-8	Statewide Evangelism Conference at Greensboro
13-19	W.M.U. Focus Week
18	Area Doctrine Seminar at Sylva - First Baptist
14	Valentine Day—Pastors and Wives Fellowship Supper
18-20	N.C. Baptist Men's Board Meeting - Caraway
21-22	Mountain Pastors' Workshop at Ridgecrest

MARCH—HOME MISSIONS STUDY-ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING

6-13	Week of Prayer For Home Missions
7	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
7-12	Youth Week - S.B.C.
10-11	V.B.S. Clinics (West)
14-15	Mountain DOM Conference at Boone
15-16	Gardner-Webb Ministerial Conference
18-19	W.M.U. Annual Meeting-Asheville-Thomas Wolfe Aud.

APRIL—BOLD MISSIONS-COOPERATIVE PROGRAM DAY

3	Easter Sunday
4	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
11-13	N.C. Baptist Music Conference - Caraway
17	Cooperative Program Day
18-22	Baptist Doctrine Study
22-23	Youth Convention

MAY — EMPHASIS ON THE CHRISTIAN HOME

1	Exec. Committee Meeting - Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
2	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
1-8	Christian Home Week
8	Mother's Day
9-11	Key Leadership Conference & Ridgecrest
16-22	Associational Emphasis Week

JUNE — SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

3-4	Area Church Training Tournaments (Bible Drills, Speakers' Tournament) Hendersonville-First Baptist
6	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
12-16	W.M.U. and Southern Baptist Convention-Pittsburgh
19	Father's Day

JULY — CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH

3-8	Week of Christian Study and Fellowship - Mars Hill
4	Independence Day
9-15	Church Training Week at Ridgecrest
18-21	Associational Directors' of Missions Conf. - Wingate
30-Aug. 5	W.M.U. Conference at Ridgecrest

AUGUST — YOUTH EMPHASIS

7	Executive Committee Meeting at Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
12	Youth Evangelism Conference at Asheville
15-19	Sunday School Preparation Week
19-20	Lay Witness Training - Caraway

SEPTEMBER — LEADERSHIP TRAINING

5	Labor Day
6	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
9-10	N.C. Baptist Men's Board Meeting

16-17	Sunday School Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest
27-28	General Board - Caraway Center
28-29	Director of Missions and Staff - Camp Caraway

OCTOBER—COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MONTH-ASSOC. MEETING

2-9	Week of Prayer for N.C. Missions
2-9	Each Sunday Special Emphasis for Cooperative Program
9	World Hunger Day
20	Polk Baptist Association Annual Meeting Green River

HISTORY OF FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

Faith Baptist Church was organized March 30, 1967 with seventy eight members from Mill Spring Baptist Church and one member from Victory Baptist Church. Services were held in the old Egerton store building before the church building was constructed.

At the annual session of the Green River Association, which was held at Silver Creek Baptist Church on October 19, 1967, Faith Baptist Church was received as a full member of the association. A few years later when the Polk Baptist Association was formed Faith became a charter member.

The church building was to be located on a 6.5 acre site facing Highway 9 in Mill Spring, N.C. This land was donated by Mr. Frank Jackson, and ground breaking service was held October 12, 1967. Six months later, April 28, 1968, the first service was held in the new building with 100 people present.

Rev. Robert Rownd was the first pastor, and he served for two years. The church called Rev. P. Thomas Cannady as its second pastor, and he served from September 7, 1969 to October 15, 1972. He and his family are now missionaries in Honduras.

Rev. George McGill was pastor from July 1, 1973 to August 10, 1975. Rev. Ronald Gilbert served as pastor from December 31, 1975 until April 13, 1980. Rev. John Rogers is the present pastor, and he has been at Faith since February 1, 1981. Dr. Alex Booth of Fruitland Bible Institute has served as interim pastor three different times.

In the spring of 1981 a pastorium was completed on land given by Mr. and Mrs. John Lynch.

Faith Baptist Church has licensed two men to preach-Phillip McCall in April 1973 and James Owens in April 1977. Phillip McCall was ordained on September 2, 1979, and he is now serving a church as its full time pastor.

God has blessed Faith Baptist Church, and we rejoice in His many blessings.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Historian

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS REPORT - 1982

North Carolina Baptists observed the week of October 3-10 as a Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions. North Carolina Baptists annually set aside a special week for Heart-Felt prayer emphasis, and to thank God for all the wonderful ministries that enhance our people. The 1982 breakdown in percentages for the gifts from the local churches is as follows: State Missions Ministries 27%, N.C. Baptist Men 3%, Children's Homes 30%, Baptist Hospital 15%, Baptist Homes 15%, Christian Education 5%, & WMU (Heck Jones) 5%. I am delighted to report that Polk Baptist Association had a major part in helping with each of these ministries. According to our 1981 Minutes, our churches gave $3,956.00. This year our State-Wide Goal is $2,750.00. It is my sincere prayer that we, as an Association, will have had an even greater part in reaching this goal for 1982 than we did in 1981. Remember our State-Wide Theme is: HOPE IS SOMETHING YOU GIVE!

Respectfully submitted
Rev. John L. Rogers

THERMAL YOUTH SHELTER REPORT FOR 1982

The Thermal Youth Shelter in Forest City is doing a great work for many of our children and youth. We regretted the loss of the Hornines as houseparents, but we have found another wonderful couple, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bradford, who are really an asset. We trust that Polk will become more involved in the next year with this worthwhile home. We are raising our budget to the home some-$530 for 1983. The churches are also having special emphasis for the shelter. Open House was enjoyed by Polk Association at the home on September 12th. This is a joint enterprise for Polk, Green River, and Sandy Run Association. Let's do our part!

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Representative

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST - 1982

The sound of the phrase "Co-operative Program" always rings a bell in my thinking. What a glorious thought-Southern Baptists working hand in hand. Cooperation is the key word for success in any field of endeavor. Many of us cannot go around the world taking the "Good News" to ALL THE WORLD. We cannot be a doctor, nurse, teacher, or one instrumental in the healing of one who needs spiritual, physical, or mental health. However, THROUGH THE CO-OPERATION PROGRAM we can have a part in the healing of thousands and thousands of people as well as enlarging the Family of God.

In Polk Association I am happy to report that we have made some progress. We are still working and praying that EVERY church will "cooperate" by giving a portion of the church's income through the Cooperative Program. We are still urging the churches to establish a monthly system of alloting a percentage to the Cooperative Program. I am happy that my church at Big Level has agreed to give 13% of the budget to the Cooperative Program and 5% to Associational Missions. In so doing I feel our church has been blessed in so many ways. Several other churches have also raised their percentage to missions. For this we are deeply grateful.

In Polk Baptist Association we set a goal of $40,000 for 1982 to be given through the Cooperative Program. I am happy to report that we went over this goal, and our gifts total $45,800 through the Cooperative Program for 1982. In 1982 the total gifts were $35,742. Several churches have already reached BOLD MISSION THRUST by doubling or tripling their gifts through the Cooperative Program. In 1982 Cooper's Gap contributed the highest gift of $8,012; Big Level had the highest percentage with $5,584.11; Hickory Grove, Midway, Mill Spring, Morgan Chapel, Silver Creek, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain have either doubled or tripled their gifts for Bold Mission Thrust. To God Be The Glory! Great Things He Has Done!

In April Dr. O.D. Martin, Director of Stewardship, was guest speaker at Pastors' Conference. Church laymen were also invited, and we were challenged and inspired to do greater work.

Thus, we are setting the goal of $50,000 for our gifts through the Cooperative Program for 1983. We are happy to have added Green Creek Church to our Association and with every church participating and sharing a portion of its tithes and offerings Polk Baptist Association will go above the goal in 1983! May God bless each church and may He give each one of us a vision of a lost and needy world for the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. George Lynch, Chairman
Stewardship Committee

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT — 1982

WMU is still growing in our association! Earlier in the year Rev. Marshall Simpson (Director of Missions), Marie Blackwell (Area Start Team Leader), and I met with pastors and interested ladies from churches that have not yet begun W.M.U. It was a pleasure to work with each of these and to see this growing interest in missions. We praise the Lord for the progress in the following churches:

Tryon Second - organized Mission Friends
Pleasant Grove - elected a W.M.U. Director
Faith - added three G.A. groups
Warrior Mt. - added B.Y.W.
Morgan Chapel - B.W. with BW group and BYW group

Associational meetings and workshops have been well represented this year:

WMU Annual Meeting - 2
Leader Workshop - 5
Acteen Council Workshop (Ridgecrest) - 7
BYW Conference (Ridgecrest) - 3
Come Alive Seminar (invited by Carolina Association with Barbara Jonier) - 8

Several churches had GA's to attend the summer camp. Other services held many blessings for us. The beautiful morning and evening services for the World Day of Prayer were well attended and very inspiring. Our prayer retreat with Miss Martha Frank was one that we will long remember and treasure. Although the attendance for the leader workshop was low, it was one of the best ever with much accomplished.

The Foreign Mission Study was taught by Richard McBride from Gardner-Webb College - men were invited. The Home Missions Study was taught by Mrs. William Pate, Sr.

Various programs were observed in our churches: Week of Prayer for Home and Foreign Missions, Focus Week, Christmas in August, and World Hunger Day.

For the past three years as a part of Bold Mission Thrust, WMU has placed a major emphasis on Life Changing Commitments. Many of us took a look at ourselves, did not like what we saw and made changes in our lifestyles; some still have a long way to go. This year we are being challenged to express a dynamic accountability for missions involvement.

The Southern Baptist Convention Emphasis is to REACH PEOPLE, DEVELOP BELIEVERS, and STRENGTHEN FAMILIES. The command for us as Christians is to pray, go, witness, and give.

To each church-May God Bless You for your faithful labor.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Roena Smothers, Director
Polk Association WMU

1982 SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

I wish that I could help each church and every person in this Association see the NEED and VALUE of Sunday School! All of us need training and we are never too YOUNG or too OLD to discover new truths from the Bible.

Southern Baptists have the best teaching materials and additional aids in all fields of any group in the world. There are riches untold in pictures, quarterlies, and other materials available.

This year we have been striving to BUILD STRONGER SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN POLK ASSOCIATION through monthly contests, studies of growth, and various methods to enlarge our schools. One month the pastors' conference had a tape on the Spiral Growth of Sunday Schools which was very helpful. A seminar was held with pastors and Sunday School Directors to find out the reasons why our Sunday Schools are declining and ways in which the churches could motivate their people.

Thus, we feel that we have made some progress. A number of our churches have made significant progress in enrollment the past year. Of these Midway heads the list with an enrollment now of 98, and last year it ws 58. Some churches keep the same enrollment year in and year out. How could this be possible?

As I leave Polk Association I challenge you to check your enrollment. Please follow up on your prospects. I trust you will get an Assist Team that will be helpful to all the churches. I challenge each church to try to DOUBLE your Sunday School enrollment in 1983! It will be the GREATEST BLESSING your church could receive!

May God bless each one in the days ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Pate, Jr., Director
Sunday School

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF N.C. INC.
1982
WESTERN FAMILY SERVICES AREA

The mountain tradition for children is abundantly evident in the Western Area Program of our Baptist Children's Homes. Our Baptist friends in the west continue to undergird our ministry in a very fine way and in this time of inflation, we are increasingly dependent upon this support. Our Western units of ministry - Broyhill Home at Clyde, Haywood Emergency Care Cottage at Clyde, Thermal Belt Youth Shelter at Forest City, and Maternity Home in Asheville - all continue to operate at near capacity levels.

The fastest growing phase of our ministry is that of emergency care. In these centers located at Clyde and Forest City we can take a child in at a moment's notice from a desperate circumstance and keep that child for up to 90 days while a more long term placement can be arranged. The tumultuous state of our society causes these homes to operate almost constantly at capacity levels.

The Maternity Home in Asheville continues to be one of our most blessed ministries. So many girls come to us feeling that life is virtually ended for them and there, through Christian love and care, they find resources to begin again with new purposes and new hope.

Of course, Broyhill Home remains the focal point of our work in the western part of the State. In each of our five cottages, up to twelve children are cared for. These children often come from very difficult circumstances with many needs.

The Baptist Children's Homes has affected the lives of more than five thousand people during the past twelve months. With more than a dozen programs of care and with services being offered from twenty-five locations across North Carolina, Baptists can be confident that the Baptist Children's Homes is seeking every means possible to serve needy people in Christ's name.

The real heroes of this ministry are the houseparents who live on a day by day basis with these boys and girls. We are in the process of completing an "off duty" cottage for these houseparents where they can stay with their own children during those days they are free from their campus responsibilities.

The John Johnson Chapel on the Broyhill campus has been completed and is being well used by the Children's Home family and area church groups as well. Be assured that the welcome mat is always out for your group to visit us whenever you have opportunity.

A new 16mm thirty minute film was released in July called "You Needed Me" and is available for use in our churches. Contact the Children's Homes to schedule this inspiring, instructive film.

We are grateful for the continuing support of our fellow Baptists through the Cooperative Program, the North Carolina Missions Offering and designated gifts. Like everyone else, we are being affected by short-falls in anticipated income. Programs have to be adjusted but we are careful to maintain quality care for those whom we serve.

1982 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS HOMES, INC.

The past year in our North Carolina Baptist Homes has been a good one. We have had 45 persons admitted to the ministry of our Homes and apartments. This represents 98,065 days of special care for an average daily population of 269 persons. The Lord's blessings continue to be poured out upon us.

Great things are in store for our Homes as we look to the Lord, to North Carolina Baptists, and to the future! The Trustees made a decision of far-reaching significance at their May meeting in approving a Capital Funds Campaign. The existing needs at the Hayes Home and the Nursing Unit in Winston-Salem present a primary challenge of this campaign. With success, we will be well on our way to adding much-needed nursing care beds, and resident rooms. We will also be able to provide much-needed upgraded services in relation to our present Nursing Unit, and also construct a desperately-needed Administration Building. We covet your prayers for the success of this effort.

Our major concern presently in our Homes' ministry is in regard to our benevolent care, assisting those who need supplementing financially. Gifts through the Cooperative Program and the North Carolina Missions Offering go a long way in undergirding those who cannot pay the full cost of care. These gifts, totalling $516,804.00, provided 57% of benevolent care. The many residents who will be looking to the Baptist Homes' ministry for their care and the 43% short fall in mission gifts will place increasing demands on the already over-taxed benevolent funds. Also, many persons on the Homes' waiting list who cannot pay the full cost of care may have a longer period to wait because of limited benevolent funds.

We believe, therefore, that if you know the need, you will respond to it by the increasing support that you will give through the Cooperative Program and through the North Carolina Missions Offering. We will be looking to the Lord and to you to help us continue to be the benevolent ministry that we have always been.

We love you, and we thank you for your love, your gifts, and your prayers. As Abraham was about to deliver the fatal blow to his son, Isaac, He asked, "Father, where is the sacrifice?" Whereupon Abraham replied, "God will provide!" And so He did! And so, we believe that you will provide!

William A. Poole
Executive Director

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REPORT OF THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL FOR 1982

The Baptist Hospital submits the following report:

There are 673 beds in use with 23,350 patients admitted during the year and provided a total of 210,000 days of patient care. There were 65,381 additional visits to the hospital's outpatient clinics and the emergency room. There patients come from across North Carolina, from other states, and even from other countries to receive the specialized hospital care which our institution offers.

Many patients have benefited from new procedures: (1) a new method of delivering anti-cancer drugs by means of an "infusion pump" which is implanted in the patient somewhat like a pacemaker for heart patients. For many patients this has proven to be a more effective and more convenient form of chemotherapy. (2) A new type of x-ray called "digital radiography" used principally for examination of blood vessels, which virtually eliminates expensive and cumbersome x-ray film. This method uses less radiation and requires less dye than standard angiography.

(3) A new type of dialysis for patients with kidney disease called "continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis," which involves leaving a special fluid within the peritoneal cavity for several hours while impurities are taken from the blood.

The Pastoral Care Department continues to provide a pastoral ministry to both inpatients and outpatients and to their families. During the past year Chaplains made a total of 48,209 visits with patients. They provided 923 "on call ministries" and led 262 worship services in Davis Chapel. The Pastoral Counseling Division provided 8,684 hours of counseling for 855 persons. A total of 63 students were enrolled in various levels of clinical-pastoral education. The Winston Salem center and also the satellites in Fayetteville, Raleigh, Morganton, and Charlotte all continued to experience growth in the types of service provided as well as the number of people served.

During the year the hospital received a two-year approval by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

The hospital continues to operate in the black and recently adopted a budget for the fiscal year exceeding $100,000,000.

Gifts from the churches the past year through the Cooperative Program amounted to $479,997; through North Carolina Missions Offering and designated gifts a total of $345,765. We are indeed grateful to the churches and their members for this continuing fine financial support.

Respectfully submitted,
William Painter, Representative

Our Association has a feeling of sincere gratitude to our hospital for the care and love extended to the Blackwell Family in the Burn Center. WE KNOW THAT YOU DO CARE FOR OTHERS! Blessings.

REPORT OF THE BIBLICAL RECORDER TO THE ASSOCIATIONS - 1982

Workers change but the work goes on. This is the simple message from the Biblical Recorder this year.

Marse Grant, editor for nearly 23 years, retired September 13, his 62nd birthday. Succeeding him will be R.G. (Gene) Puckett who has served as editor of two other Baptist state papers and associate editor of a third one.

He came to the Recorder from the position of executive director of Americans United for the Separation of Church and State where he was also publisher of the magazine, Church and State.

Editorials and letters have praised his ability. In addition to his 20 years of editorial work on Baptist papers, he has been pastor of churches in Kentucky, Ohio and Florida. He was interim pastor of the largest Southern Baptist Church in Maryland, the Middle River Church near Baltimore. He will carry on the tradition of our Baptist state paper as it looks forward to its 150th anniversary next January 17.

It has not been an easy year for the Biblical Recorder, primarily because mailing costs increased 160 per cent, from $2,500 a week to $6,500 a week. Another increase may come this fall. The Recorder has been through hard times before and will make it this time, thanks to the continuing support of North Carolina Baptists.

Please remember the new Recorder editor and his family. As his schedule permits, he will be speaking in churches and in associational meetings. He wants to know more about our state and these appearances will help him. Remember him in your prayers as he undertakes this difficult and demanding job.

Submitted by,
J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER
(To become editor-emeritus
September 13, 1982)

CHURCH LITERATURE REPORT

We, as Southern Baptists continue to have some of the best writers of Christian Literature and some of the best publications available today. Our Sunday School Board continues to present to us much literature for us to choose from in deciding what will meet the needs of our changing people. This new year has begun with changes in the youth material designed for today's Youth. They are offering literature on ways youth can minister to others and good material for youth week.

There are many undated studies to choose from and the two Missions Magazines will be available thru the church literature dated form in January.

As we think of the great need for intense Bible study and doctrinal study we can be thankful for dedicated writers we have to help us in our job of teaching in our churches.

I do hope that each of our churches are taking advantage of our Southern Baptist Literature. If you aren't at this time for some reason, I do hope you will reevaluate that reason and will prayerfully consider the advantages of having this literature to supplement your Bible teaching. God's Word is unchanging and it meets our needs today just as it met the needs 2000 years ago. We need to present the Word faithfully to our Youth and Adults so we will be equipped to witness in this changing world of God's ever new Amazing Grace.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Ann Byrd
Warrior Mtn. Baptist Church

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT FOR 1982

Church Training is a most important part of the local church. The past year the programs have been so informative and interesting. Each year new Modules come out and Polk Association has a number that you could use at anytime.

I wish that I could report that every church in our Association has a Church Training, but so far this is not possible. I still trust that those churches who have not started one will begin this year. If you realized that it could be such a great blessing for your church I feel this would be THE YEAR!

Also, we need to get our Children's Bible Drills and Youth Speaker's Tournament underway in the churches. These are the greatest aids for Bible teaching.

The "M" night program was held at Tryon Second with a good representation from those churches having Church Training. Two churches were there with an interest in beginning one.

This year "M" night will be held at Midway Baptist Church at 7 P.M. on November 22, 1982. Let's all make a special effort to be there.

I challenge each one of you to "Study to show thyself approved unto God-a workman that needth not to be ashamed!"

May 1983 be a great year for Church Training!

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Painter, Director

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School in Polk Baptist Association has shown an increase for the past three years. Our enrollment for this year was 1359, an increase of 91 over 1981. There were 10 professions of faith. Three Backyard Bible Clubs were held with 66 enrolled. Two churches achieved the level of Distinguished, three Advanced, and five the level of Merit. All 20 of our churches have had Vacation Bible School for the past 3 years.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lee Gregory
Associational V.B.S. Director

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT FOR 1982

Polk Baptist Youth are very, very important. The future of Polk lies in their hands. In our Association we have some of the BEST young People in the world. So we feel that our county in the future will be manned by great leadership.

The Youth in our Association have had a busy year. Many of them went to camp and helped with Backyard Bible Clubs and many local needs of Senior Citizens were met by these fine young people.

We have had one Youth Worker serving in our Association during the summer. Norman Canada led in many activities in this area for ten weeks. Kevin Byers, a ministerial student, also has been doing some fine work.

We continue to hear wonderful reports from Vince Heffner, Keith Scott, and others who are doing such fine things. Recently other young people have been called for special tasks, such as Tim Wilson.

Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day was great, and we are anticipating another good day this year. Most all of our churches are involved with this.

Several of our churches went to the Youth Evangelism Service in Asheville. One group went to Chapel Hill to the Billy Graham Youth Meeting.

What would we do without our beautiful Youth Choirs? We enjoy each one that we are privileged to hear, and think of the blessings they give to others. We appreciate very deeply the work of our Youth Workers. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Champion are leading the youth at Beulah in so many worthwhile endeavors. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Foster are leading the youth at Peniel, and they are doing a fantastic work. We know there are others in each church doing some of the same. Blessings upon each worker and each youth.

Let us remember our youth in our prayers. Be sure to encourage them in every effort made for His glory.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Loretta Vance, Representative

A REPORT FROM Y OUR MEDIA CENTER

This little room is never used enough! We always have some modules, books, or aids that might be helpful. Also, there is a number of books. Our Video-tape is also available. The pastors and W.M.U. are about the only ones who have ordered tapes. The church at Columbus offered us many good tapes just for the asking. This is such a friendly gesture-why not borrow some?

We attended an Award Banquet in Carolina Association, and were thrilled at the tremendous progress made in the various church libraries. What a challenge! I wish every church would begin a library for their church in 1983!

Come by to see us anytime! We love you and want to see you and help you in any way possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Millie Simpson

1981-82
REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMISSION TO THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Arthur L. Walker, Jr., Executive Director-Treasurer

The Education Commission has been involved in a three year emphasis on missions in the life of Southern Baptist colleges and schools. As a part of this emphasis the Commission continues to lead in efforts to implement campus programs of mission activities by and with students.

A study of the unique strengths and opportunities of Baptist college campus mission and religious activities has resulted in several local campus emphases on missions and an enlarged program of witnessing on these campuses throughout the school year. Attention has been given to the uniqueness of Baptist colleges. This has required emphasis upon trusteeship and the role of those individuals chosen to serve in the important role as trustees. The uniqueness of Baptist colleges is constantly under attack by forces which attempt to make Christian education only an imitation of what is happening at state institutions. In an attempt to serve effectively in this area, the Education Commission has worked diligently serving as liaison with national educational leaders and educational organizations to emphasize the distinctiveness of denominational education. There has also been a concerted effort on the part of denominational education national leaders to emphasize the role of the denominational college.

Participation in and through the Baptist World Alliance activities has made it possible that contact be established between Southern Baptist higher

education leaders and international Baptist educators. The Education Commission encouraged participation of Southern Baptist educators in the Baptist International Conference on Theological Education held at the Ridgecrest National Conference Center in January, 1982. This significant educational conference established the first opportunity for Baptist educators from around the world to discuss those problems common to all.

SUPPORT. — The state conventions in the Southern Baptist Convention increased their 1981 support to the schools by $4,851,637 for a total of $60,158,850. Of this amount, $720,398 was given as addition to endowment funds. Donations, gifts, and grants totaling $69,996,384 showed a decrease of $2,592,035. Endowment funds amounted to $550,675,854; property was valued at $1,012,015,055, making assets total $1,562,690,909. This was an increase of $135,379,198. Endowment increased by $64,404,137 and property value by $70,975,061.

CHURCH VOCATION VOLUNTEERS. — Church vocation volunteers totaled 23,735 for 1981-82, or a decrease of 23.

1980 - 81

	Pastoral Ministry Students	Edu. Ministry Students	Music Ministry Students	Home & Foreign Mission Volun.	Other Church Vocation Students	Total Church Vocation Students
Seminaries	7,077	2,673	925	1,565	223	12,463
Senior Colleges	3,729	1,097	1,547	1,183	2,117	9,673
Junior Colleges	175	42	64	30	107	418
Theological Schools	601	120	104	131	64	1,020
Academies & Schools	150	11	13	3	7	184
TOTAL	11,732	3,943	2,653	2,912	2,518	23,758

1981 - 82

	Pastoral Ministry Students	Edu. Ministry Students	Music Ministry Students	Home & Foreign Mission Volun.	Other Church Vocation Students	Total Church Vocation Students
Seminaries	7,385	2,793	857	1,767	185	12,987
Senior Colleges	3,656	1,062	1,365	1,424	1,767	9,274
Junior Colleges	178	33	80	19	87	397
Theological Schools	608	136	110	20	29	903
Academies & Schools	146	7	12	1	8	174
TOTAL	11,973	4,031	2,424	3,231	2,076	23,735

The Program of Christian Higher Education Leadership

The role of education in the mission enterprise has had a significant place in Southern Baptist life since the founding of the Convention. This emphasis through the years has brought continued cooperation between the educational institutions and the mission agencies of the Convention. The Education Commission and the Association of Southern Baptist Colleges and Schools both attempt to contribute to this cooperation and the role of Baptist

college and school campuses in the recruiting and training of mission volunteers.

The Education Commission continues to administer the Dorothea Van Deusen Opdyke Scholarship, the J.W. Farmer and the M. May Robertson scholarship/loan programs as assigned by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Dorothea Van Deusen Opdyke Scholarships are offered to individuals who have geographical backgrounds in the mountain areas of the nation. The Farmer and Robertson scholarship/loan programs are available to faculty members of Baptist schools who are attempting to update their degrees and/or educational experience.

During this past year studies have been conducted again on course offerings in the various colleges, the comparative percentage distribution of Cooperative Program funds to Baptist schools by the sponsoring state conventions, student enrollment, church vocation number at the Baptist colleges, and the structure of the boards of trustees of the Baptist colleges.

The placement registry service for prospective Baptist faculty and staff at the Baptist institutions has continued to be a major concern of the Education Commission. The number of requests for information about prospective faculty members has continued to grow.

With the decreasing number of prospective students in the traditional age of college attendance, the recruiting activities sponsored by the Education Commission have become an enlarged concern. The Commission seeks to secure names of church-related volunteers, publishes material pertaining to admissions and recuriting in *The Southern Baptist Educator,* and endeavors to improve the channels of news and information about Christian higher education through the Baptist state papers and convention periodicals. Displays for use in the media centers at Ridgecrest and Glorieta and materials about Baptist schools for distribution to directors of associational missions and others who have contact with young people continue to be a major emphasis.

The planning and promotion of *Baptist Seminary, College, and School Day* on February 21, 1982, carried out the function of the Education Commission in convention relations. Use of these materials and the number of churches participating in the special emphasis continued to increase.

The leadership of Southern Baptists in church-related and independent higher education concerns has continued throughout the year. Representatives of the Baptist seminaries and universities and colleges continue to assume significant places of leadership in the cooperative effort to emphasize the role of denominational education. This leadership brought high visibility to the concern of Southern Baptists for education and the awareness that this education is a part of the commitment of Southern Baptists to its mission concerns.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Representative

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

Millions of people will recall 1981 as the year in which they were first introduced to God's Word. Bible Societies around the world distributed a total of 444,130,089 Bibles, Testaments, Portions and Selections in 1981.

The United Bible Societies is now directly or indirectly involved in translation projects in over 600 languages around the world. There are more than 50 people employed by the United Bible Societies who serve as full-time consultants to churches, missions and national Bible Societies and assist in every phase of the translation.

The extent of world wide Bible translation is well illustrated by the work being undertaken in Africa, where 442 Scripture translations are currently going on-365 are first time translations. There are over 1,600 languages in Africa, so less than six percent of African languages have a full Bible and only 31 percent have at least one book of the Bible. The need for Bible translation is also evident in the Americas, where two major language groups, Guarani of Paraguay and Jamaican Creole, along with 15 other large language groups having over 100,000 literates, do not have a complete Bible. Since an estimated 3,000 languages are spoken throughout the world, the challenge to translate the scriptures into clear and understandable languages is crucial to the mission of the Bible cause.

Scripture distribution was maked by a 29.2 percent increase in the United States in 1981, and included a total of 98,190,991 Bibles, Testaments, Portions and Selections. Some of this Scripture distribution was achieved by more than 42,000 Volunteers, almost 3,000 of whom operate local Scripture Courtesy Centers where Bible Society publications are immediately available at or below the full cost of publication.

The accomplishments highlighted in this report are made possible because of gifts received from individuals and churches. The American Bible Society thanks the Southern Baptist Convention in particular for its steady level of support. A total of $321,409.97, or approximately two cents per member was given by Southern Baptists in 1981. In recognition of the growing number of requests for Scriptures throughout the world, and the rapid increases in inflation, the American Bible Society asks that the Southern Baptist Convention not only continue, but increase its support of the Bible cause. This seems especially appropriate when considering the close and continuing relationshp between the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Bible Society in the common purpose of the Scripture translation and distribution.

We know that we have the urgent responsibility and glorious challenge of making God's Word available to all who need and want it. This is more than a responsibility for the Bible Societies. It is a responsibility which all Christians must recognize and to which all must respond generously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Herman Bright, Repres.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL EVANGELISM REPORT - 1982

Reports are still coming on the "Here's Hope" Joint Evangelistic Crusade held in March and April, 1982. Interpretation Meetings were held across the state to suggest plans and basic thrusts for the Joint Crusade effort, sponsored jointly by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the General Baptist State Convention. Churches conducted "People Search" and Lay Evangelist Schools, followed by local revivals. Figures to date indicate 2,932 professions and 34,266 rededications, with only 36 of our 80 associations being complete in their reporting. Comments from pastors across the state are:

Asheboro, First Baptist - "Best attended meeting in 7 years I have been here. Had excellent preparation . . ."

Tabernacle Baptist Church, Raleigh - "Best revival at Tabernacle in 42 years ...

Broad Ridge Baptist Church, Robeson Association - "We experienced a very deep spiritual movement in our church, the effects are still evident . . ."

Highland Baptist Church, Theron Rankin Association - "An evident manifestation of the Presence in each service . . ."

Aaron Baptist Church, Avery Association - "Several who have grown up in this church said it was the best revival they have had in at least 20 years ..."

Hunter Hills Baptist Church, Piedmont Association - "Best attendance ever; the Holy Spirit seemed to be present with great power."

"Here's Hope North Carolina" was the theme for the 36th annual Statewide Evangelism Conference, February 8-9, 1982 in Greensboro, with 2500 people in attendance; the best consistant attendance in recent years.

For many youth, this year a week at Caswell was the highlight of the summer, with Barry Wood teaching about discipleship during the Youth Evangelism Week. This was the year the Youth Evangelism Conference expanded to three - Asheville, Greensboro, and Asheville. These are tremendously successful meetings, with the largest number of youth ever attending.

As we move toward the time when Growing an Evangelistic Church will be our major planning tool and CWT will be the new witness training method, some pilot churches have started the programs. The Key Leadership meeting in Ridgecrest introduced the associational evangelism chairmen to Growing Evangelistic Churches in North Carolina.

The Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Charlotte's Ovens Auditorium during February 7-8, 1983, with Dr. Wayne Ward leading Bible Study; Dr. Landrum Leavell, Dr. BO Baker, Dr. Joe Ford preaching, and Dick Baker leading the music.

On February 1, 1982, J.W. Hutchens, Jr. became the Director of the Division of Evangelism for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1982

Polk Baptists have had a good year in Evangelism. Most of our churches have had an increase in the number of baptisms in 1982. We are still hoping and praying that we can double our baptism and reach people. This is the main business of the church. Would that each one of us could catch a vision of the "Lost World" - in Polk alone over 4,000 unchurched people that we know about. What about these and perhaps many others?

In 1981 Polk Baptist churches baptized 95, and this year we increased to 122. To God Be The Glory! Morgan Chapel led the Association with 12, Silver Creek with 11, and both Faith and Cooper's Gap with 10 each.

Our Associational Revival was fine. The music and preaching were both well received by our people. This year we are planning our Associational Revival Nov. 7-10 at Green Creek Baptist Church. The Evangelist will be Rev. Kenneth Ridings, and our Associational Choir will be directed byMr. Robbie Vance. I trust that each one will promote this revival. Please pray that a GREAT OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT will fall on Polk! May God help each one of us to pray, to witness, and win the lost. The state Evangelism report is on the preceding page.

Respectfully submitted,
John Edwards, Chairman Evang.

BROTHERHOOD REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1982

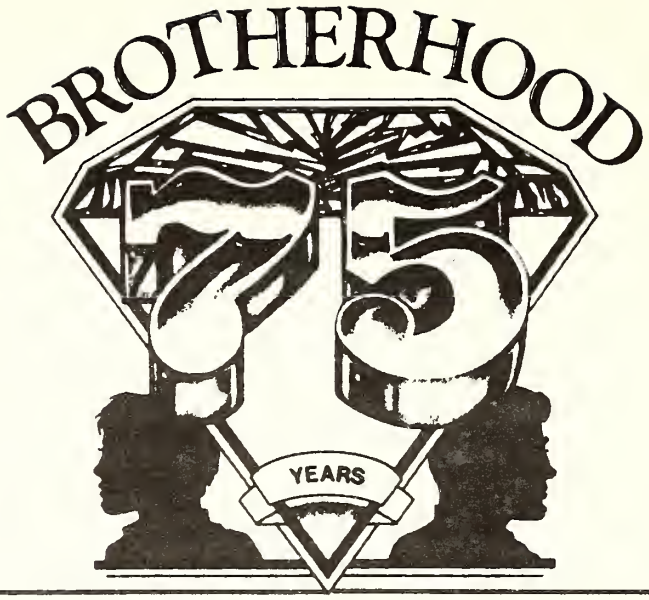
In the next year Brotherhood in Polk should make great strides. I hope to see laymen from each church at the prayer seminar with Miss Martha Franks on Nov. 23 at Columbus. Prayer can change things - it makes a difference! We hope that before the year is out there will be an active Brotherhood in each church.

We are proud of the work that was accomplished last year. Mr. Elmer Painter and Mr. Charles Davis are going again to Honduras with Mr. Gale Cross. Faith Church sent them last year to Guatemala. We praise the Lord for this!

I attended the Brotherhood Meeting at Caraway, and was challenged. I am excited over the work. Men, let's get involved! We have begun a jail ministry, and we are anticipating GREAT things in 1983 for Polk Baptists!

The Brotherhood Commission Report is on the preceding page.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard Phillips, Brotherood
Director Polk Assoc.



75 Years — Missions Only Beginning

by Wanda Toombs

Seventy-five years seems like a long time. But in the annals of history it is just a short period.

That's what the Brotherhood Commission is entering into — 75 years of missions.

Originally founded for the promotion of missions, this organization of Baptist Men stemmed from an early appreciation of the Woman's Missionary Union program.

At the 1907 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, in Richmond, Virginia, the Laymen's Missionary Movement later to be known as the Brotherhood, was founded on a recommendation brought by Joshua Levering of Maryland and William Northen of Georgia. It operated under this title until 1927 when it became known as the Baptist Brotherhood of the South. Since 1950 it has operated under the title of the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

In 1908 John Henderson was elected the first executive secretary, and began promoting the work of the movement with great effect. The Laymen's Movement existed for pastors as well as laymen. It did not send missionaries; but, did have as its purpose the enlistment of men for inspiration of the world mission effort of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Soon after the new organization was established, various states began to act. In July, 1907 in Mississippi, a committee was formed to get the Laymen's Movement started. This committee reported to the state convention in 1908 and the movement was adopted statewide.

What followed was a chain reaction: Illinois (1912), Texas (1915), Florida (1916), Georgia (1916), Kentucky (1916), Tennessee (1925). During the period from 1908-1944, the Laymen's Movement was slow to begin in most states, but where the movement was adopted, dedication to men's involvement in missions followed strongly.

In 1926 the Executive Committee recommended to the SBC that the name Laymen's Movement be changed to the Baptist Brotherhood of the South. It was felt that this new name would "include the entire denominational program, rather than having it restricted to just one phase of it."

In April of 1936, an extension office of the Brotherhood was established in Memphis, Tennessee. Later, in 1938, Memphis became the permanent headquarters of the Brotherhood. By this time Lawson Cooke, a banker from Richmond, Virginia, had succeeded John Henderson as executive secretary. Henderson resigned in 1936 after serving for 30 years. Cooke then was elected his successor and served the Baptist Brotherhood for 15 years (1936-1951). George W. Schroeder, who was serving as associate secretary, was elected Cooke's successor in 1951.

At the end of 1955 Brotherhood enrollment had reached 299,307 in 10,142 churches with 1,410 new Brotherhood units being reported. In the almost 50 years since its beginnings at the 1907 Southern Baptist Convention, Brotherhood work had grown to involve almost 300,000 men in missions.

CHURCH MUSIC REPORT FOR

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1982

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord ALL ye lands!" This is a request from our Lord - to worship Him in song. Music is the key that opens the door to worship. If our music program sets the stage for a meaningful hour in which to worship and adore Him - then we are achieving the goal for church music. We should sing praises, sing the gospel, and sing for the joy of Christian fellowship.

It is good to use the "Hymn of the Month" plan in our worship services. Here are the hymns suggested from The Baptist Hymnal:

Oct. - "Praise The Lord Who Reigns Above"
Nov. - "Come ye Thankful People Come"
Dec. - "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"
Jan. - "O God of Our Fathers"
Feb. - "I Stand Amazed In The Presence"
Mar. - "For Me"
April - "Rejoice The Lord Is King"
May - "Send Me, O Lord, Send Me"
June - "My Country 'Tis Of Thee"
July - "Like A River Glorious"
Aug. - "Day By Day"
Sept. - "Tell The Good News"

In Polk Association the choir sang at the Annual Meeting and each night of the Associaional Revival. All reports from the audiences were very commendable, and I do appreciate every thing that the choir members did to make this a success.

As I leave the Association I feel that I am leaving a well-trained organization dedicated to the call that is greatest. Also, I feel that the leadership of this choir will move forward under the capable leadership of Mr. Robbie Vance.

May God bless you in the days ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Charlene Pate, Director
Polk Baptist Association

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

"Solid Growth and Expanding Achievements"

"Despite the economic problems in the nation, 1981 was a year of solid growth and expanding achievements with record number in assets, benefits paid and member accounts," said Darold H. Morgan, president of the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Key statistical highlights in 1981 included:

1. A 10 percent 13th check was sent to annuitants who retired before 1980.
2. A total of $24,298,521 was paid in retirement benefits.
3. Total assets administered by the board as of December 31, 1981 were $896,535,999 compared with $806,518,757 in 1980.
4. Relief funds from the Cooperative Program totalled $357,200.
5. Membership records indicated that 19,299 persons were enrolled in Plan A, 58,930 in Plan B, and 4,193 in Plan C.
6. Premium income reached $72,854,632. Of this amount $45,443,258 was designated for the Fixed Fund and $10,294,788 for Plan A.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS 1982

Retirement Plans	Member Accounts and Benefits	Insurance	Members
Plan A (church-agency)	19,299	Health Insurance	23,327
Fixed Fund (church-agency)	49,103	Group Life (church)	15,666
Balanced Fund (church-agency)	9,826	Group Life (agency)	19,744
Variable Fund (church-agency)	4,193	Life Benefit Plan	2,136
Benefits Paid	$24,298,521	Seminarian Life	1,738
Relief Benefits	$411,093	Seminarian Medical	4,549
Relief Recipients	396		

NORTH CAROLINA STATISTICS

As of March 31, 1982, 3,288 staff members of 2,316 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement. As of March 31, 1982, the following had been processed:

70 Southern Baptist Retirement Program applications
14 Applications for age retirement benefits
501 Retirement program upgrades

The church's response to upgrading the staff member's retirement program continues to be encouraging. Ten percent of his/her annual compensation should be the minimum. In 1981 North Carolina reported 1,032 upgrades.

Six Video Tapes are now available for churches and associations to assist in understanding the protective programs of the Annuity Board. VT 16-1-"Planning The Rest of Your Life", VT16-2-"Retirement", VT16-3-"Purpose

and Meaning in Retirement", VT16-4-"Mental and Physical Health in Retirement", VT16-5-"Continuing Education and Mental Alertness", VT16-7-"Route 10-The Road to Financial Security"

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION REPORT

In Polk Association 8 churches and 8 staff members are participating in the retirement program. Of this number 2 are still participating on the minimum of $33.34 per month. There is a great need to upgrade this to 10% of total salary for staff members.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Pate, Jr. Representative

N.C. BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC. REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

When it was chartered in 1920, The North Carolina Baptist Foundation was charged with the responsibility of promoting the making of gifts, receiving and managing the gifts, and distributing the income earned from the investment of those gifts to the objects and causes specified by their donors. The charter further provided that those designated causes should be any and all objects and causes of the "Missionary Baptist denomination".

Today, the purpose remains the same. Baptist Foundation is the only agency of the Baptist State Convention which receives gifts for all Baptist causes: the colleges, universities and seminaries, Baptist Homes and Children's Homes, Baptist Hospital and the school of medicine, churches and associations, Foreign and Home Mission Boards, special mission offerings, Cooperative Program, and all other concerns of Baptists.

During 1981, new trusts were created and old trusts had additions which together totaled $855,991.00 bringing the assets in all trusts to almost five million dollars. (Real estate is stated in the assets at the value when given, which is on the books at approximately 2.4 million dollars less than the current market value.)

Through the trusts created prior to 1981, investments earned $418,529.70 during 1981 for distribution to beneficiaries named by the trust donors. During the years of the Foundation's existence, the sum of $2,610,299.00 has been distributed to all beneficiaries of trusts held by the Foundation, all according to the instructions provided by the donors.

The objective and future plans of the Foundation are summarized in a brief phrase - promoting mission support through estate stewardship. Through conferences and seminars, through counseling with individuals and speaking to church groups, the Foundation will continue to support North Caro-

lina Baptists in their efforts to become better managers and stewards of their material possessions. Through its role as trustee agency, the Foundation will serve North Carolina Baptists by enabling them to enjoy Christian stewardship in its fullest sense - even after death.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Jack Jolley, Representative

HOME MISSION REPORT FOR 1982

Although not without its problems, 1981 was a banner year in Southern Baptist Home Missions, because churches responded to pressing needs of our land.

At year's end, the Home Mission Board had 3,074 missionary personnel on the field and 274 support persons in Atlants. More than 30,000 had volunteered to serve as temporary or part time missionaries through Mission Service Corps and Special Mission Ministries. Over 400 new churches had been started.

Though barely keeping up with inflation, both Cooperative Program contributions to Home Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter offering reached new highs.

Work assigned to the Home Mission Board was coordinated through four sections: two program sections, Evangelism and Missions; two support sections: Planning and Services. The assignment included thirteen different Southern Baptist Convention Programs.

Polk Association is cooperating with our state convention in helping with the work in West Virginia. The total that Polk Association gave to Home Missions last year was $7,217.00.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT FOR 1982

Missions stewardship is not just a matter of dollars and cents. Missions stewardship includes church members who give their money for the sharing of the gospel and those who commit their time in prayer for the cause of Christ. It involves those who plant their lives in another culture for the gospel's sake and those who go for a little while to assist. It also, includes the Christian believers in those other cultures.

Bold giving is a theme and an intention for Southern Baptists. Its a way of life forChristians in many places where income is low but dedication is high.

One of our laymen from Faith Baptist Church went to Honduras with a group to help build a church this year. This is what Foreign Missions is all about.

The Polk Association gave a total of $17,743.00 this past year to Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy P. Arledge, Representative

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE FOR 1982

The Resolution Committee presents the following resolutions:

1. Resolve that the churches in Polk Association express their appreciation to Faith Church for their warm hospitality.
2. Resolve that we also thank the other churches that helped in making the evening meal a delightful occasion.
3. Resolve that the Pacolet Hills Church thank each of you in the Polk Association for your prayers for our pastor, Rev. Tom Hudson, during his illness.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ladd Edwards, Chairman
Mrs. Jo Ann Moss
Mrs. Larry Stott

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT

The time, place, and preacher committee recommends that the fourteenth Annual Meeting will convene as follows:

Place - Green River Baptist Church
Time - October 20, 1983
Preacher - Rev. John Edwards
Alternate - Rev. Wesley Price

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Kenneth Williams, Chairman

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

The Christian Action League is grateful to God for the opportunities that He has provided in the past year to have a BOLD witness concerning current moral and ethical matters.

I. PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON DRUNK DRIVING: The League was involved in the initial request to President Ronald Reagan concerning the naming of a Presidential Commission to study ways to reduce the needless slaughter of 26,000 people annually upon our highways due to drinking drivers. He responded and named 26 prominent Americans who will look at the Drinking and Driving problem on a national basis and will make recommendations to the states in ways to deal with this carnage.

II. GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON DRUNKEN DRIVERS: The League called upon Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. to name a N.C. Task Force on Drunken Drivers in order to study this growing problem from our state's perspective and explore ways to remove that irresponsible element from our highways. Governor Hunt responded by naming a panel of outstanding citizens to conduct hearings and seek solutions. Public hearings were conducted in Raleigh, Asheville, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Greenville, Fayetteville, and Wilmington.

In the General Assembly in 1983 the following recommendations will include such provisions as:

1. Raising the legal drinking age to 21 for the sale, possession, and consumption of all alcoholic beverages.
2. Mandatory jail sentences for convicted drunk drivers.
3. Abolish the practice of plea bargaining for convicted drunk drivers.
4. Prohibit open containers of any kind of alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle.
5. Prohibit public consumption of all alcoholic beverages.
6. Provide victim restitution due to alcohol related accidents through additional taxes on alcoholic beverages.
7. Enact a DRAM Law which will make the retailer criminally responsible for accidents caused by intoxicated patrons.
8. Abolish the practice of granting limited driving privileges for convicted drunk drivers.

III. STATE-WIDE CONFERENCE ON OBSCENITY: A conference was held in Greensboro on March 30, 1982 to explore ways to rid N.C. of the reputation of being the nation's "smut" capital. There were some 500 participants and as a result six Regional Conferences will be held later on in the year.

IV. SUCCESSFUL REFERENDUMS: The League rejoices in victories during the past year over pro-liquor-beer-wine. To name a few there were defeats in Cabarrus, Union, Yadkin, Wilson, Rutherfordton, Stanly, Rockingham, Watuga, Caldwell, Gaston, and Dare.

The Christian Action League is grateful for prayer and financial support of the churches in the associations. Through the N.C. Missions Offering the league receives $22,000 which is 19% of the League's budget. The remainder

of the operating expenses must come through church budgets or through personal contributions.

May we always remember: "All that is necessary for evil to flourish is for good people to do nothing."

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Benson Hodge, Representative

TELEVISION AND RADIO MINISTRY FOR 1982

Southern Baptist have been busy with the Lord's work throughout Polk County. This year for Polk County Baptist in our association has really gone by fast. The Lord's work must move quickly for Jesus could come any minute. I am grateful for Television and Radio. The Lord can work through many ways and many areas if we would use our resources. This past year, the area pastor's have performed very successfully through our radio ministry on W.T.Y.N. I believe many decisions were made, by many, because of the gospel. We are looking forward in the years to come of reaching Christ through radio. We have used another resource by which people have heard the gospel. During the month of January 1982, we were privileged by hearing, "An Invitation To Life," this was aired every Thursday night at 8:00. The preaching was very Spiritual, along with the great singing each night. We feel that God was able to speak to people through His word by Television. Let us always keep up this great and needed ministry in Polk County. God is a great God. He loves people everywhere. Let us keep the bold mission thrust alive through this work of Radio and Television. As long as people are lost our work is never finished. Let us be much in prayer for our pastor's who go to W.T.Y.N. and records each week the gospel of Christ. I believe that God is still at work in our churches as well as in our lives.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Terry E. Pleasant, Repres.

GENERAL BOARD REPORT FOR 1982

I have enjoyed serving on the General Board in 1982. I have learned much about our State Baptist Convention.

You might ask, "What is the General Board?" The General Board is composed of 108 members and serves the Convention as the Convention-ad-interim. The Board met three times in 1982-January, May, and September.

The General Board serves the Convention as a "general supervisor" of the institution and agencies, and directs the work of the General Board Staff and programs. The Board as organized does much of the work through the Executive Committee and the 10 program sub-committees. These are:

Church Programs, Missions, Evangelism, Stewardship, Business, Christian Life and Public Affairs, Christian Social Services, Christian Higher Education, Youth and Campus Ministries, and Communications.

The Executive Committee is the Convention's personnel, budget, and plans and policies committee.

Some of the functions and decisions the General Board was involved in were:

1. Here's Hope Crusade
2. The New Baptist Building
3. Caraway Conference Center
4. Sunday School Enlargement
5. Mountain State 200

There were many other functions and decisions the General Board had to make.

It has been a good year for the General Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, General
Board Representative from
Polk Association

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS OF POLK ASSOCIATION

The Lord has been good to us this year in Polk Association. Bold Mission Thrust has become a reality in many respects. In 1976 the goal was set to double in gifts through the Cooperative Program, another goal was to double the total receipts through the churches. These two goals are almost a reality.

This year, gratefully and humbly, we are on the increase in almost every phase of our work. Baptisms are up about 30%. For this we do praise God. However, there are numbers of unchurched people in our county still needing the gospel. Have you had your "People's Search" yet? If not let me urge you

to do this and find some of these people.

Please keep a check on your Sunday School rolls. Let's add names instead of removing names. Let's show those who are delinquent that we love them and care. Perhaps we could get more visitation in our Sunday Schools. From past experience I can assure you that weekly contacts make the difference.

Thanks to our Planning Committee and subcommittee, headed by John Edwards we now have a folding machine and an electric stapler. This has brought hours of time saving to the office staff and we are deeply grateful.

Our number 1 project this year was to join hands with West Virginia and help in Mountain State 200. We are helping support a mission in Beckley, West Virginia. We appreciate the churches support by sending monthly gifts of $10-25, and thus have been able to support this mission partly with $200 monthly. One church, Silver Creek, sent the church van with the pastor, Rev. Lee Gregory, his wife, Mrs. Miriam Arledge, and Mrs. Madge Russell, to Elksview, West Virginia, where Rev. Gregory held a revival. We do appreciate the interest of the church and the labors of this team.

Our Long Range Planning Committee has had several meetings and will soon present several projects to us.

Millie and I wish to thank you for the privilege of being a part of your association. Pray for us as we strive to help you in any way that we can. Would you each one covet with us to try to MAKE BOLD MISSIONS THRUST A REALITY?

In His Service,
Marshall Simpson

MEMORIALS

The Lord has blessed me this past summer with many beautiful and lovely roses from my rose garden. I have enjoyed plucking these roses to share with my parents, grandmothers, and friends. They have added beauty to my home and to the lapel of my husband's coat on Sunday morning. God has seen fit this past year to pluck some lovely roses for His heavenly garden. May we pause at this time and pay a memorial tribute to them.

BEULAH — Mr. Steve Edwards, Mrs. Katie Ponder, Mrs. Paralee L. Brown, Mrs. Vicky T. Lynch, Mrs. Gertrude Champion and Mrs. Bessie Reid.
BIG LEVEL — Mr. Edward D. Smith, Mrs. Annie Green.
COLUMBUS — Mr. E.C. Prather, Mr. John Spurlin, Mr. Joe Ritchey, Mrs. Henry Gibson, Rev. J.B. Jones, and Mrs. Katie James.
COOPER'S GAP — Mr. Rex Jackson, Mr. Henry Garrett.
FAITH — Mr. Gurley Patty, Sr.
FAITH TEMPLE — Miss Michelle Blackwell.
GREEN CREEK — Mrs. Selina Jackson, Mrs. Mary Gosnell, Mrs. Lougenia Gosnell, Mrs. Addie Painter, Mrs. Gladys Vickers, and Mr. Boyd Vickers.
GREEN RIVER — Mrs. Mattie Roddy, and Mrs. Etta Davidson.
HICKORY GROVE — Rev. Ralph Hipp.
MIDWAY — Mr. Lewis Mills (retired deacon).
MILL SPRING — None.
MORGAN CHAPEL — Mr. Earl Smith, Mr. Ransom Griswold, Mr. Willie Barnette, and Mr. Leroy Greene.
PACOLET HILLS — None.
PEA RIDGE — Mr. Charlie Taylor.
PENIEL — Mrs. Mary Owens.
PLEASANT GROVE — Mr. Otho Gibbs, and Mr. Thelmet Gilbert.
SANDY SPRINGS — Mrs. Marie Powell.
SILVER CREEK — Mrs. Nellie Edwards, Mr. L.W. Pace, Mr. Roy Sain, Mr. Grady Russell, and Mr. James Jackson.
TRYON SECOND — Mrs. Minerva Durham, and Mrs. Minnie Laughter.
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — Mr. B.F. Foster.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Chairman

1982 HISTORICAL EVENTS

BEULAH — A note burning service on church building.
BIG LEVEL — None.
COLUMBUS — Additional cemetery property given by the McMurray family; Sunday Evening Bible Study; Purchased new organ.
COOPER'S GAP — None.
FAITH — Sponsored Charles Davis to go to Honduras with Mr. Gail Cross on Construction Crew; Dedicated Pastorium; Received Allen Organ as a gift.
FAITH TEMPLE — Carpeted Sunday School rooms; Painted church; Painted sign outside of church.
GREEN CREEK — None.
GREEN RIVER — Landscaped yard at pastorium; Odained Thomas Moore as Deacon.
HICKORY GROVE — None.
MIDWAY — Complete renovation of church building; including insulation, vinyl siding, rewiring, roofing, central heating and air conditioning, Wall to wall carpeting entire church, new cushioned pews, ceiling and paneling, remodeled restrooms, new pulpit platform, new piano, public address system in the nursery.
MILL SPRING — Ordained Rev. Freddy Siegfried into the ministry.
MORGAN CHAPEL — Called Rev. Terry Pleasant as pastor.
PACOLET HILLS — None.
PEA RIDGE — Remodeled Kitchen in parsonage; built chimney and put wood heater in parsonage; Installed new furnace in the auditorium; and put in new well pump.
PENIEL — None.
PLEASANT GROVE — None.
SANDY SPRINGS — None.
SILVER CREEK — None.
TRYON SECOND — One of our ordained ministers, Rev. Albert Teague, called to pastor a church.
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — None.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION — 1982

Beulah ..... Rev. Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Mr. Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryson, N.C. 28782
Mr. Hoyt Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Big Level ..... Rev. Goerge Lynch, Rt. 1, Box 49, Mill Spring, N.C.
Mr. Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale, N.C. 28160
Columbus..... Rev. Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C. 28722
Cooper's Gap ..... Mr. Glenn Burgess, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Mr. Zeno Lancaster, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Rev. John Godfrey, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Faith .....Rev. John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Mr. James Owens, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mrs. Judy Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Faith Temple .....Rev. Bill Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Green Creek .....Rev. Jack Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 1742, Columbus, N.C.
Mr. Vailon Shytle, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Mr. E.J. Gregg, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Green River.....Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C.
Mr. James Deck, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
Hickory Grove ..... Rev. John Edwards, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mr. Charles Pittman, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Midway ..... Rev. Wesley Price, Rt. 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mr. John Gibbs, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mill Spring .....Rev. Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Morgan Chapel .... Rev. Terry Pleasant, Skyuka Dr., Landrum, S.C. 29356
Pacolet Hills ..... Rev. Tom Hudson, 14 Benjamin Ct., Spartanburg, S.C.
Mr. Kevin Chitwood, Landrum, S.C. 29356
Pea Ridge ..... Rev. Melvin Stallings, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C.
Mr. C.T. Hudson, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Mr. Kenneth Edwards, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C.
Peniel ..... Mr. Albert Durham, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mr. Homer Pittman, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Pleasant Grove Rev. Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Rutherfordton, N.C.
Sandy Springs .....Mr. Duran Turner, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
Mrs. Duran Turner, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323
Silver Creek ..... Rev. Lee Gregory, Rt. 2, Box 30, Mill Spring, N.C.
Mr. Loyd Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Tryon Second ..... Rev. Aaron Pruitt, 101 McDonald St., Tryon, N.C. 28782
Warrior Mountain ..... Rev. Herman Bright, Rt. 1, Box 11, Zirconia, N.C.
Mr. Donald Byrd, 505 Warrior Mt. Rd., Saluda, N.C. 28773

MESSENGERS ELECTED TO GO TO THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING — 1982

BEULAH—Mr. & Mrs. Bill Kersh, Mr. Timothy Wilson, Mrs. Sallie Wilson, Miss Ella Chitwood.

BIG LEVEL—Mr. Henry Lynch, Mr. General Hayes, Mr. Avery Hicks, and Rev. & Mrs. George Lynch.

COLUMBUS—Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Morgan, Mrs. Martha Hill, and Miss Opal Cloud; Alternates-Mrs. Linda Miller, Mrs. Myrtle Masternick.

COOPER'S GAP—Rev. & Mrs. Paul Steppe, Mr. Howard Phillips, Mr. G.L. Pace, and Mrs. Helen Godfrey.

FAITH—Mrs. Pauline Bell, Mrs. Pam Carswell, Mrs. Hazel Owens, Mrs. Eunice Rhodes, Mrs. Doris Lynch, and Mrs. Jeanette Rhodes, alternate.

FAITH TEMPLE—Mr. & Mrs. Ray Kuykendall, Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Reid, and Mr. & Mrs. Don Blackwell.

GREEN CREEK—Mr. Otho Swain, Mr. & Mrs. E.J. Gregg, Mr. Bill White; Alternates, Mrs. Hattie Calton, Mr. Bill Calton, Mrs. Callie Jackson, and Mr. Vailon Shytle.

GREEN RIVER—Rev. & Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Mrs. Pauline Henson.

HICKORY GROVE—Mr. Grady Grigg, Mrs. Tessie Stott, Mr. Gilbert Smothers, Mrs. Blanche Raburn, Mrs. Clara Wilson, and Rev. & Mrs. John Edwards.

MIDWAY—Rev. & Mrs. Wesley Price, Mr. & Mrs. John Gibbs, and Mrs. Ann Jolley.

MILL SPRING—Mrs. Amanda Parker, Mrs. Nannie Walker, Mrs. Ruby Jackson, and Mr. & Mrs. Woodrow McKee.

MORGAN CHAPEL—Mr. & Mrs. Dale Fox, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Laughter.

PACOLET HILLS—Mrs. Elsie Edwards, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mr. Jeff Flynn, Mrs. Janet Flynn.

PEA RIDGE—Mr. & Mrs. C.T. Hudson, Mrs. Helen Price.

PENIEL—Mr. & Mrs. Homer Pittman, Mr. & Mrs. Russ Randolph, and Mrs. Irene Pennington.

PLEASANT GROVE—Rev. & Mrs. Benson Hodge, Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Moore.

SANDY SPRINGS—Mrs. Beulah Turner, Mrs. Eunice Jolley, Mrs. Mary Edna Davidson, Mr. A.B. Wilson, Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Jolley, Mr. & Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Rev. & Mrs. W.C. Pate, Sr.

SILVER CREEK—Mrs. Madge Russell, Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Mrs. Genelle Jackson, Mrs. Patsy Williams, Mrs. Margaret Jackson, and Mr. Hall Arledge.

TRYON SECOND—Mr. & Mrs. Horace Early, Mrs. Mae Ross.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Donald Byrd, Mrs. Mary Gravely, Mrs. Elma Bright, and Mrs. Debbie Pridmore.

PASTORS NOW SERVING IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BEULAH—Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782 — 894-8688.
BIG LEVEL—George Lynch, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 — 625-4607.
COLUMBUS—Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C. 28722 — 894-8588.
COOPER'S GAP—John Godfrey, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 — 625-4676.
FAITH—John Rogers, Box 6, Hwy. 9, Mill Spring, N.C. — 894-8063.
FAITH TEMPLE—William Painter, Box 213, Columbus — 894-8881.
GREEN CREEK—Jack Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 1742, Columbus, N.C. — 863-2487.
GREEN RIVER—Boyce Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139 — 863-4344
HICKORY GROVE—John Edwards, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722 — 863-2544.
MIDWAY—Wesley Price, Rt. 1, Columbus — 894-3255.
MILL SPRING—Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 — 894-8841.
MORGAN CHAPEL—Terry Pleasant, 105 Skyuka Circle, Landrum, S.C., 29356 — 859-6744
PACOLET HILLS—Tom Hudson, 14 Benjamin Court, Spartanburg, 29301
PEA RIDGE—Melvin Stallings, Interim; Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139.
PENIEL—Furman Jackson, Supply
PLEASANT GROVE—Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Rutherfordton, N.C. — 286-9487
SANDY SPRINGS—W.C. Pate, Sr. (Interim), Hwy. 9, Box 116B, Black Mountain, 28711
SILVER CREEK—Lee Gregory, Rt. 2, Mill Spring — 894-8598
TRYON SECOND—Aaron Pruitt, 101 McDonald St., Tryon, N.C. 28782 — 859-5368
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN—Herman Bright, Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970 — 692-8082

CHURCHES	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT	CHURCH TRAIN-ING ENROLLMENT	V.B.S.	W.M.U.	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	BAPTISMS	ASSOCIATION MISSIONS	TOTAL MISSIONS	TOTAL RECEIPTS
Beulah	259	100	37	54	28	2621	6	1492	6661	33,709
Big Level	205	137	41	48	0	5584	0	2150	10459	37,260
Columbus	431	188	0	85	72	7568	7	2408	13052	130,100
Cooper's Gap	344	237	56	185	81	8012	10	3076	52600	95,935
Faith	178	121	66	98	30	1100	10	1140	6816	36,943
Faith T.	81	75	27	27	16	50	0	50	575	10,566
Green C.	377	278	0	66	28	4600	6	325	8342	67,276
Green R.	195	103	0	43	8	1000	0	600	4454	37,350
Hickory Grove	306	184	104	76	78	3904	6	2230	8354	59,100
Midway	169	98	45	34	0	572	7	520	2565	37,510
Mill Spring (F)	266	85	35	64	17	800	7	400	2905	23,041
Morgan Chapel	197	78	24	61	27	2221	12	300	3594	27,068
Pacolet Hills	99	59	39	30	6	400	4	175	1675	16,588
Pea Ridge	186	110	0	55	0	170	1	440	2326	30,480
Peniel	283	167	0	92	0	0	11	550	10959	50,005
Pleasant Grove	171	150	0	125	0	169	6	600	5775	34,456
Sandy Springs	289	113	66	62	24	3312	0	1094	7482	49,429
Silver Creek	276	145	38	92	42	1500	11	1500	6231	36,977
Tryon Second	119	70	0	37	6	1094	9	543	3348	21,280
Warrior Mountain	80	64	3	36	11	1100	9	550	2695	18,000
TOTALS	4511	2562	582	1394	474	45777	122	20143	160869	853073

STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION YEAR ENDING Semptember 30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: N.C.

Director of Associational Missions: M.R. Simpson, Columbus, N.C. 28722 (Address, City, State, Zip)

Location: 1—Open Country; 2—Village (under 500 pop.); 3—Town (500-2499); 4—Small City (2500 to 999); Medium City (10 000 49 000): 5—Downtown; 6—Neighborhood; 7—Suburban; Large City (50 000 or more): 8—Downtown; 9—Neighborhood; 0—Suburban

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
BEULAH	DILLARD DAVIDSON - Rt. 1 - Tryon, 28782	POLK	1886	1	Y		6	1	11	128	131	259	0	0	60,000	190,000	0
BIG LEVEL	GEORGE LYNCH - Rt. 1 - Mill Spring, 28756	POLK	1881	1	Y		0	1	5	156	49	205	0	0	34,500	70,000	0
COLUMBUS	FRED RHODES - Blanton St. - Columbus, 28722	POLK	1857	2		N	7	13	13	304	127	431	0	0	50,000	426,000	16,000
COOPER'S GAP	JOHN GODFREY - Rt. 2 - Mill Spring, 28756	POLK	1834	1	Y		10	14	8	285	59	344	0	0	50,000	300,000	6,000
FAITH	JOHN RODGERS - Box 6 - Mill Spring, 28756	POLK	1967	1	Y		10	16	3	146	32	178	0	0	65,000	165,000	4,847
FAITH TEMPLE	WILLIAM PAINTER - Box 213 - Columbus, 28722	POLK	1970	1	Y		0	0	3	81	0	81	0	0	0	40,000	26,000
GREEN CREEK FIRST	JACK WEAVER - Rt. 2 - Box 1742 - Columbus,28722	POLK	1800	1	Y		6	1	10	295	82	377	0	0	67,500	460,000	0
GREEN RIVER	BOYCE BRADSHAW - Rt. 4 - Rutherfordton, 28139	POLK	1875	1		N	0	2	3	165	30	195	2	1	75,000	400,000	0
HICKORY GROVE	JOHN EDWARDS - Rt. 2 - Columbus, 28722	POLK	1906	1	Y		6	10	9	211	95	306	1	3	60,000	400,000	403
MIDWAY	WESLEY PRICE - Rt. 1 - Columbus, 28722	POLK	1940	1	Y		7	4	2	123	46	169	0	0	50,000	200,000	1,903
MILL SPRING FIRST	HOUSTON MOSES - Box 36 - Mill Spring, 28756	POLK	1873	2	Y		7	5	3	204	62	266	0	0	65,000	240,000	0
MORGAN CHAPEL	TERRY PLEASANT - Landrum, S.C., 29356	POLK	1909	1	Y		12	6	13	117	80	197	0	0	41,300	150,000	8,583
PACOLET HILLS	TOM HUDSON - 14 Benjimine Ct.- Spartanburg,SC	POLK	1949	1	Y		4	0	2	65	34	99	0	0	0	100,000	0
PEA RIDGE	MELVIN STALLINGS (Interim)- Rt.4- Rutherfordton	POLK	1916	1	Y		1	0	7	126	60	186	0	0	50,000	130,000	2,629
PENIEL	FURMAN JACKSON (Interim)	POLK	1920	1	Y		11	13	5	218	65	283	0	0	35,000	250,000	0
PLEASANT GROVE	BENSON HODGE -147 Westview St.- Rutherfordton	POLK	1934	1	Y		6	3	9	121	50	171	0	0	0	90,000	0
SANDY SPRINGS	W. C. PATE, SR. (Interim)	POLK	1858	1	Y		0	2	19	200	89	289	0	0	40,000	160,000	0
SILVER CREEK	LEE GREGORY - Rt. 2 - Mill Spring, 28756	POLK	1840	1	Y		11	6	10	189	87	276	0	0	30,000	175,000	0
TRYON SECOND	AARON PRUITT - 101 McDonald St. - Tryon, 28782	POLK	1924	3	Y		9	13	10	57	62	119	4	0	45,000	100,000	0
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	HERMAN BRIGHT - Box 184 - Zirconia, 23978	POLK	1933	1	Y		9	2	1	45	35	80	0	0	0	49,300	0
TOTALS							122	112	146	3,236	1,279	4,515	7	4	$828,300	$4,095,300	$66,365

TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL — YEAR ENDING September 30 1982

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Address: Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr.

Route 1 — Tryon (City) — NC (State) — 28782 (Zip)

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment 6-11 years or grades 1-6	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment—Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrolment—married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrolment	63 Homebound enrolment	64 General officers enrolment	65 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	66 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	67 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	68 Bible Study groups enrolment	69 Total enroled in Bible Study	70 Number ethnic Sunday School members	71 Church V.B.S. enrolment	72 Mission V.B.S. enrolment	73 Backyard Bible Club enrollment
BEULAH	HUGH CHAMPION - Rt.1 - Tryon, 28782	0	11	13	12	0	28	18	4	0	0	14	0	100	68	0	100	0	54	0	0
BIG LEVEL	BRUCE ODELL - Rt.1 - Mill Spring, 28956	0	8	20	22	11	11	38	25	0	0	2	0	137	91	0	137	0	48	0	0
COLUMBUS	CLINT BLANTON - 114 Meadow Lark Lane- Col.	0	13	45	24	5	3	59	30	0	5	4	0	188	116	0	188	0	85	0	0
COOPER'S GAP	GLENN BURGESS - Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	19	18	49	19	17	16	49	46	0	0	4	0	237	175	0	237	0	155	20	40
FAITH	WILLIAM ARLEDGE - Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	0	11	24	15	4	6	34	24	0	0	3	0	121	61	0	121	0	198	0	25
FAITH TEMPLE	ARNOLD ODOM - Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	5	6	9	2	8	16	15	7	0	0	7	0	75	27	0	75	0	27	0	0
GREEN CREEK	HUEY FAGAN - Rt.2- Box 1648 - Columbus	0	15	35	21	19	0	111	74	0	0	3	0	278	163	0	278	0	66	0	0
GREEN RIVER	BUFORD HARRIS _Rt.4- Rutherfordton, 28139	0	7	12	16	5	18	18	24	0	0	3	0	103	62	0	103	0	43	0	0
HICKORY GROVE	RAY PACK- Rt.2- Columbus, 28722	0	23	23	24	11	19	48	20	0	0	16	0	184	151	0	184	0	76	0	0
MIDWAY	GENE DIMSDALE- Houston Rd.- Columbus 28722	0	20	5	12	0	21	17	23	0	0	0	0	98	58	0	98	0	34	0	0
MILL SPRING FIRST	CLAUDY PACK -Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	0	6	10	15	9	16	0	19	0	0	10	0	85	46	0	85	0	64	0	0
MORGAN CHAPEL	ROY LAUGHTER - Rt.3- Campobello, SC	0	4	7	16	0	27	10	11	0	0	3	0	78	49	0	78	0	61	0	0
PACOLET HILLS	LEWIS FLYNN -Rt.2- Columbus, NC 28722	0	7	9	6	3	16	6	8	2	0	2	0	59	40	0	59	0	30	0	0
PEA RIDGE	ROY PAGE - Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	0	20	15	13	2	15	30	15	0	0	0	0	110	82	0	110	0	55	0	0
PENIEL	LEROY CARRUTH,JR.-Rt.1-Landrum, SC 29356	0	22	24	12	15	20	43	29	0	0	2	0	167	107	0	167	0	92	0	0
PLEASANT GROVE	DAVID GEVEDON - Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	6	12	9	14	16	26	48	14	0	2	2	0	150	96	0	150	0	125	0	0
SANDY SPRINGS	CLARK STRICKLAND - Rt.1-Box123-Rutherford.	0	4	17	35	8	8	22	15	0	0	3	0	113	76	0	113	0	62	0	0
SILVER CREEK	CHARLES JONES - Rt.2- Tryon, 28782	5	17	25	14	14	28	18	21	0	0	3	0	145	82	0	145	0	92	0	0
TRYON SECOND	WILLIAM WHITMIRE - Tryon, 28782	1	5	4	5	12	0	11	21	0	5	6	0	70	36	0	70	0	37	0	0
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	DONALD BYRD - Warrior Mtn.Rd-Saluda,28773	0	7	7	12	5	8	4	1	0	0	0	20	64	42	0	64	0	36	0	0
TOTALS		36	236	362	309	164	302	596	431	2	12	87	20	2,562	1,628	0	2,562	0	1,340	20	65

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TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING — YEAR ENDING September 30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Church Training Director: William (Bill) Painter

Address: Box 213 — City: Columbus, — State: North Carolina — Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6 11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12 17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	78 Equipping Centers enrolment	79 N.C.M.T. Survival Kit enrollment	80 MasterLife enrolment	81 Other enrolment	82 Hold File enrolment	83 General officers enrolment	84 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	85 Total Church Training enrolment	86 Baptist Doctrine Study Y=Yes N=No
BEULAH	HOYT CHAMPION - Rt. 1 - Box 37 - Tryon, 28782	1	4	8	21	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	37	N
BIG LEVEL	LEONARD GREEN - Rt. 1 - Box 67 - Mill Spring, 28756	5	5	10	18	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	41	N
COLUMBUS	NONE													
COOPER'S GAP	G.L. PACE - Rt. 2 - Mill Spring, 28756	0	18	8	28	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	56	Y
FAITH	ELMER PAINTER - Rt. 1- Mill Spring, 28756	1	7	11	45	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	66	N
FAITH TEMPLE	RAY KUYKENDALL - Rt. 1 - Box 281-A - Tryon, 28782	3	4	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	27	N
GREEN CREEK	NONE													
GREEN RIVER	NONE													
HICKORY GROVE	MRS. ELIZABETH BURRELL - Rt. 2 - Columbus, 28722	12	10	24	50	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	104	N
MIDWAY	REV. WESLEY PRICE- Rt. 1 - Columbus, 28722	6	4	2	31	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	45	Y
MILL SPRING	TED PACK - Rt.1 - Mill Spring, 28756	0	10	8	12	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	35	Y
MORGAN CHAPEL	MRS. BERNICE HOLBERT - Landrum, SC, 29356	2	4	5	13	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	24	
PACOLET HILLS	MRS. ELSIE EDWARDS - Rt.1 - Box 283 - Landrum, SC	2	9	1	25	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	39	N
PEA RIDGE	NONE													
PENIEL	NONE													
PLEASANT GROVE	NONE													
SANDY SPRINGS	CHARLIE JOLLEY - Rt. 1 - Rutherfordton, NC 28139	6	9	20	29	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	66	N
SILVER CREEK	MRS BOYCE JACKSON - Rt. 2 - Box 63- Mill Spring	7	4	6	19	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	38	N
TRYON SECOND	NONE													
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	NONE													
TOTALS		43	88	104	306	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	578	

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC — YEAR ENDING Semptember 30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Music Director: Mrs. Charlene Pate

Address: Route 1 — City: Tryon — State: North Carolina — Zip: 28782

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	87 Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	88 Children enrolment (6-8 years or grades 1-3)	89 Children enrolment (9-11 years or grades 4-6)	90 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	91 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	92 Handbell ringers enrolment	93 Vocal ensembles enrolment	94 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	95 General music leaders enrolment	96 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	97 Total ongoing Church Music enrolment	98 Church Music Average Weekly Ongoing Attendance
BEULAH	DAVID JACKSON -Rt.1- Box 294- Tryon, 28782	1	2	3	8	25	0	3	0	6	0	48	40
BIG LEVEL	DWIGHT LYNCH-Rt. 2- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COLUMBUS	JOEL PETERSON - Rt.2- Box 688- Mill Spring, 28756	2	8	12	7	20	0	0	0	2	0	51	41
COOPER'S GAP	JOE WHITESIDES- Rt.1-Box 72-Rutherfordton,28139	6	6	10	25	24	0	7	0	12	0	90	77
FAITH	MRS. JUDY JACKSON- Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	7	3	13	0	0	0	3	0	26	14
FAITH TEMPLE	MRS. JEAN PAINTER - Box 213 - Columbus, 28722	0	2	2	2	17	0	0	16	3	0	23	16
GREEN CREEK	MR. JAMES ROGERS - Rt.6- Blanton Acres-Spartanburg,SC	0	15	12	10	24	0	0	0	3	0	64	40
GREEN RIVER	MISS KATHERINE FAGAN- Chesnee , SC 29392	0	1	3	3	15	0	0	0	0	0	22	20
HICKORY GROVE	MR. ROBBIE VANCE - Rt.2- Columbus, 28722	0	6	10	15	30	0	0	0	0	0	61	52
MIDWAY	MRS. PATRICIA CASE - Columbus, 28722	9	0	7	0	15	0	10	2	5	0	48	45
MILL SPRING	MRS. JOANN MOSS - Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	0	4	5	4	10	0	0	0	3	0	26	15
MORGAN CHAPEL	MR. DALE FOX- Rt.1- Campobello, SC 29322	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	3	0	20	16
PACOLET HILLS	MR. KEVIN CHITWOOD- Landrum, SC 29356	3	4	5	0	12	0	0	0	4	0	28	25
PEA RIDGE	MR. EARL TAYLOR - Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	10	0	12	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	37	20
PENIEL	MR. SAM MARLOWE - Box 218 - Columbus, 28722	9	8	10	5	18	24	0	0	2	0	76	40
PLEASANT GROVE	MR. JERRY LAWTER - Rt.1 - Mill Spring, 28756	2	3	7	8	25	0	5	0	0	0	50	50
SANDY SPRINGS	MR. SCOTT CUDD - Rt.1 - Rutherfordton, NC 28139	5	5	0	5	12	0	1	0	3	0	31	12
SILVER CREEK	MRS. GRADY RUSSELL- Rt.1 - Box 165 - Columbus, 28722	10	5	13	10	20	0	0	0	5	0	63	50
TRYON SECOND	MRS. GLYNES WILSON- Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	MRS. DONALD BYRD- 505 Warrior Mtn. Rd.Saluda, NC	0	1	0	4	8	0	0	0	2	0	15	10
TOTALS		57	70	118	109	320	24	26	18	56	0	779	583

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TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION — YEAR ENDING September 30 1982

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational WMU Director: Mrs. Roena Smothers

Address: Route 2 — City: Columbus — State: N.C. — Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	99 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	100 Girls in Action (6 11 years or grades 1 6)	101 Acteens (12 17 years or grades 7 12)	102 Baptist Young Women (18 29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	103 Baptist Women (30 and over)	104 Mission(s) of church	105 Total number of organizations	106 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	107 Girls in Action (6 11 years or grades 1 6)	108 Acteens (12 17 years or grades 7 12)	109 Baptist Young Women (18 29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	110 Baptist Women (30 and over)	111 WMU officers	112 Mission(s) of church	113 Total ongoing WMU enrolment
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
BEULAH	MRS. DORIS CHAMPION - Rt.1- Tryon, 28782	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	5	5	0	12	5	0	27
BIG LEVEL	NONE															
COLUMBUS	MRS KAREN WIGGINS - Box 543 - Columbus, 28722	1	3	1	1	1	0	7	9	19	14	20	8	2	0	72
COOPER'S GAP	MRS. JOYCE JACKSON - Rt. 2 - Mill Spring, 28756	2	2	1	0	1	0	7	15	18	16	13	14	5	0	81
FAITH	Mrs. WILMA JOLLEY- Rt.1- Columbus, 28722	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	0	14	0	0	15	1	0	30
FAITH TEMPLE	MRS ELEANOR CANTRELL - 519 Scriven Rd. - Tryon, 28782	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	3	8	3	0	16
GREEN CREEK	MRS HATTIE CALTON - Rt.4- Rutherfordton,NC 28139	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	25	3	0	28
GREEN RIVER	MRS DORIS BRADSHAW - Rt.4 - Rutherfordton, NC 28139	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	8
HICKORY GROVE	Mrs. MARLENE FISHER - Rt.1 - Landrum, SC 29356	2	2	1	1	1	0	7	16	15	10	14	9	7	0	71
MIDWAY	NONE															
MILL SPRING	MRS. RUBY JACKSON - Rt. 1 - Mill Spring, 28756	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	7	0	0	8	2	0	17
MORGAN CHAPEL	MRS. ANNA CAMPBELL - Rt.1 - Tryon, 28782	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	4	6	0	0	12	5	0	27
PACOLET HILLS	MRS. ELSIE EDWARDS - Rt.1- Box 283 - Landrum, SC	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	6
PEA RIDGE	NONE															
PENIEL	NONE															
PLEASANT GROVE	NONE															
SANDY SPRINGS	MRS. W.C. PATE,Sr.-Rt.1-Box20- Rutherfordton, NC	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	4	3	10	0	6	1	0	24
SILVER CREEK	MRS. KENNETH WILLIAMS - Rt.2 - Box 67 - Mill Spring	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	5	9	0	12	6	0	42
TRYON SECOND	NONE		1	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	1	0	6
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	MRS DONALD BYRD -505 Warrior Mtn. Rd. - Saluda, NC	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	1	0	11
TOTALS		9	14	7	3	14	0	47	59	96	66	50	151	44	0	466

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD — YEAR ENDING September 30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Brotherhood Director: Mr. Jerry Padgett

Address: 205 North Lyles St. City: Landrum State: S.C. Zip: 29356

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	114 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	115 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	116 RA director and committee	117 Baptist Men enrolment-Basic	118 Baptist Men enrolment-Prayer	119 Baptist Men enrolment-Mission Action	120 Baptist Men enrolment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	121 Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	122 Enrolment of missions of church	123 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
BEULAH	NONE										
BIG LEVEL	NONE										
COLUMBUS	DR. FRANK MANGUM - 7 Hooper Creek Rd. - Columbus	18	0	4	0	0	0	10	0	0	32
COOPER'S GAP	MR. TED OWENS - Columbus, NC 28722	12	1	4	0	0	2	22	5	0	46
FAITH	MR. JAMES OWENS - Columbus, 28722	3	6	2	6	6	0	0	1	0	17
FAITH TEMPLE	NONE										
GREEN CREEK	NONE										
GREEN RIVER	NONE										
HICKORY GROVE	MR. LARRY STOTT - Rt.2- Columbus, 28722	9	5	3	0	0	0	10	1	0	28
MIDWAY	NONE										
MILL SPRING	MR. LARRY STRIBLING - Rt.1- Columbus, 28722	9	8	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	24
MORGAN CHAPEL	MR. DALE FOX - Rt.1- Campobello,SC 29322	0	6	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	13
PACOLET HILLS	NONE										
PEA RIDGE	NONE										
PENIEL	NONE										
PLEASANT GROVE	NONE										
SANDY SPRING		6	5	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	15
SILVER CREEK	MR. LOYD JACKSON - Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	10	3	0	8	4	0	0	1	0	26
TRYON SECOND	NONE										
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	NONE										
TOTALS		67	34	14	29	10	2	42	10	0	201

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING 9/30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Treasurer: Mrs. Wilma Jolley

Address: Route 1 City: Columbus State: NC Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Number of tithers	21 Cooperative Program goal as percent of undesignated receipts	22 Associational missions goal as percent of undesignated receipts	23 Undesignated gifts offerings etc	124 Designated gifts offerings etc	125 Total tithes all offerings and special gifts	126 All other receipts	127 Total receipts	128 Money borrowed during the year	129 Church staff salaries	130 Money paid out on new construction during the year	131 Debt retirement during the year	132 Church literature	133 All other local expenditures	134 Total local expenditures	135
BEULAH	MR. HOYT CHAMPION-Rt.1-Box 37-Tryon, NC	32	8	5	30,453	3,256	33,709	0	33,709	0	3,720	0	11,030	1,167	7,690	23,607	
BIG LEVEL	MR. FLOYD DYER-Rt.2-Mill Spring, NC	45	13	5	37,260	0	37,260	0	37,260	0	13,200	0	0	1,621	4,747	19,570	
COLUMBUS	MRS. FRANCES PACE-Box 74- Columbus, NC		12	2	68,798	10,850	79,648	50,452	130,100	16,000	63,814	0	11,831	2,308	33,151	111,104	
COOPER'S GAP	MRS. ARLINE WILSON-Rt.2- Mill Spring, NC	40	10	4	89,249	6,685	95,935	0	95,935	6,000	18,866	5,970	6,285	3,897	6,479	41,499	
FAITH	MRS. JUDY ARLEDGE-Rt.2-Mill Spring, NC	48	5	4	23,783	13,160	36,943	0	36,943	0	11,862	0	8,309	1,308	10,826	32,305	
FAITH TEMPLE	MR. ARNOLD ODOM-Rt.2- Mill Spring, NC	25	0	3	6,566	4,000	10,566	0	10,566	0	4,563	0	4,000	208	2,175	11,018	
GREEN CREEK	MR. BILL WHITE-Rt.2-Box 1740-Columbus,NC	155	7	5	59,488	6,572	66,060	1,216	67,276	0	30,765	0	0	1,232	18,383	50,380	
GREEN RIVER	MR. JAMES DECK-Rt.4-Rutherfordton, NC	15	3	1.5	33,388	3,962	37,350	0	37,350	0	19,541	0	0	916	5,411	25,868	
HICKORY GROVE	MR. OTIS POWELL -Rt.1-Landrum,SC	60	7	4	55,537	2,715	58,253	846	59,100	0	26,383	0	5,300	3,002	17,348	52,033	
MIDWAY	MR. JOHN GIBBS -Blanton St.-Columbus, NC	20	5	3	33,553	4,057	37,510	19,964	57,474	3,350	11,914	32,695	1,698	757	7,501	54,597	
MILL SPRING	MR. HENRY HUNTSINGER-Rt.1-Box 563 Mill S.	22	2	2	22,915	126	23,041	0	23,041	0	9,875	0	0	1,109	11,432	22,416	
MORGAN CHAPEL	MRS. RACHEL DILL-Rt.3-Campobello,SC	20	10		21,711	4,966	26,677	390	27,067	0	13,525	0	8,583	663	10,227	32,999	
PACOLET HILLS	MRS. JOYCE ANN STOTT-Rt.1-Landrum,SC	13			14,759	1,000	15,759	829	16,588	0	6,685	0	0	610	5,589	12,884	
PEA RIDGE	MR. KENNETH EDWARDS-Rt.1- Mill Springs				29,801	100	29,901	0	30,480	0	9,893	0	1,836	682	6,648	19,059	
PENIEL	MR. ALBERT DURHAM- Rt.2-Columbus, NC	50		1	39,184	10,821	50,005	0	50,005	0	19,302	2,315	0	903	9,260	31,780	
PLEASANT GROVE	MR. PHILLIP BAILEY-Rt.5- Rutherfordton	18			34,456	0	34,456	0	34,456	0	6,452	0	0	595	11,535	18,582	
SANDY SPRINGS	MRS. EDNA MCCRAW- Rt.1- Rutherfordton	37	10	4	39,210	10,219	49,429	0	49,429	0	17,281	0	6,177	6,037	15,212	39,707	
SILVER CREEK	MRS. LOYD JACKSON- Rt.2- Mill Spring, NC	40	4.6	4.6	34,162	2,219	36,977	0	36,977	0	17,524	0	0	1,746	7,400	26,687	
TRYON SECOND	MRS. GAIL MILLS- Box 349-Rt.1- Tryon, NC	20	7	3	20,595	685	21,280	0	21,280	0	10,075	0	0	538	9,064	19,677	
WARRIOR MOUNT.	MRS. SHIRLEY ANDERSON-Box 194- Saluda	13	10	5	12,000	6,000	18,000	0	18,000	0	3,280	0	0	650	3,700	7,630	
TOTALS		673			706,868	91,393	798,265	73,697	873,036	25,350	318,520	40,980	65,049	30,021	203,788	653,402	

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES YEAR ENDING September 30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Clerk: MRS. JEAN PAINTER

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: NC Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	136 Money paid out on new construction during the year	137 All other church sponsored mission expenditures	138 Total church sponsored mission expenditures	139 Cooperative Program	140 Associational missions program	141 State missions	142 SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	143 SB Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	144 SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	145 SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	146 SB Hospitals	147 SB Homes for the aged	148 All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	149 Total other mission cause expenditures	150 Grand Total Mission expenditures
		CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
BEULAH	MR. HOYT CHAMPION -Rt.1-Box 37-Tryon, NC	0	0	0	2,621	1,492	0	1,639	834	0	75	0	0	0	4,040	6,661
BIG LEVEL	MRS. EMMA HICKS-Rt.1-Box 248- Mill Spring, NC	0	0	0	5,584	2,150	0	2,131	594	0	0	0	0	0	4,875	10,459
COLUMBUS	MRS. MYRTLE MASTERNICK-Box 73- Columbus, NC	0	0	0	7,568	2,408	362	932	1,353	0	381	0	0	48	5,484	13,052
COOPER'S GAP	MRS. PAT McGUINN-Rt.2-Box 634- Mill Spring, NC	10,490	24,495	34,985	8,012	3,076	0	2,563	3,500	0	0	0	0	462	9,601	52,600
FAITH	MRS. WILMA JOLLEY-Rt.1-Columbus, NC	0	0	0	1,100	1,140	425	502	1,915	0	240	0	494	1,494	5,716	6,816
FAITH TEMPLE	MRS. DEBORAH KUYKENDALL-Rt.1-Box 281-Tryon, NC	0	0	0	50	50	0	250	25	0	100	100	0	0	525	575
GREEN CREEK	MRS. DONOVAN HINES-Rt.2-Box1866-Columbus, NC	0	0	0	4,600	325	188	285	1,890	0	0	0	0	1,054	3,742	8,342
GREEN RIVER	MRS. PAULINE HENSON-Rt.1-Box216-Tryon, NC	0	0	0	1,000	600	234	177	1,000	0	0	0	0	1,443	3,454	4,454
HICKORY GROVE	MRS. DORIS STEADMAN-Rt.2-Columbus, NC	0	0	0	3,904	2,230	172	610	1,250	0	0	0	0	187	4,450	8,354
MIDWAY	MRS. PATSY MILLS-Box 393- Columbus, NC	0	0	0	572	520	520	394	359	0	0	0	0	300	1,993	2,565
MILL SPRING	MRS. HAZEL HUNTSINGER -Rt.1-Box563-Mill Spring	0	0	0	800	400	280	245	1,060	0	0	0	0	120	2,105	2,905
MORGAN CHAPEL	MRS. ANN FOX-Rt.1- Campobello, SC 29322	0	0	0	2,221	300	81	208	626	0	0	0	0	159	1,373	3,594
PACOLET HILLS	MRS. JOYCE ANN STOTT-Rt.1- Landrum, SC, 29356	0	0	0	400	175	163	222	308	50	90	0	0	267	1,275	1,675
PEA RIDGE	MRS. JEANETTE RICKMAN- Rt. 1-Box 337-Mill Sp.	0	0	0	170	440	0	50	266	0	400	400	0	600	2,156	2,326
PENIEL	MR. BOBBY HOLBERT-Rt.1-Box 110 A - Tryon, NC	0	0	0	0	550	408	758	5,103	0	240	0	0	3,900	10,959	10,959
PLEASANT GROVE	MRS. JAMES HODGE- Rt. 5-Box 439-Rutherfordton	0	0	0	169	600	2,033	19	607	0	2,033	114	0	0	5,406	5,775
SANDY SPRINGS	MRS. DONNICE T. GRIGG- Rt.1-Box 242- Chesnee	0	0	0	3,312	1,094	134	728	1,079	0	0	0	0	1,135	4,170	7,482
SILVER CREEK	MRS. BOYCE JACKSON- Rt.2-Box 62- Mill Spring	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	823	620	1,120	0	0	0	0	668	4,731	6,231
TRYON SECOND	MRS JEANNIE BURRELL -Box 814- Tryon, NC	0	0	0	1,094	543	100	277	100	0	0	0	0	1,234	2,254	3,348
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	MRS. DONALD BYRD- 505 Warrior Mt. Rd- Saluda	0	0	0	1,100	550	165	250	300	0	0	0	0	330	1,595	2,695
TOTALS		10,490	24,495	34,985	45,777	20,143	6,088	12,860	24,289	50	3,559	614	494	13,401	79,904	155,918

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING September 30 1982 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Moderator: JOHN GODFREY

Address: Route 2 — City: Mill Spring — State: NC — Zip: 28756

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	29 No. church-type missions started during the year	30 No. church-type missions currently operating	31 No. other-type missions started during the year	32 No. other-type missions currently operating	33 No. New Sunday School Members	34 No. persons completing witness training	35 ($) Annie Armstrong Offering	36 Kindergarten enrollment	37 N= none TV= TV R= radio B= both	38 Number of revivals	39 Number S S Members not church members	40 No of college students baptized	41 Deaf Sunday School enrollment	42 No of persons who served in a missions evangelism project in U S	43 No of persons who served in a missions evangelism project overseas	44 N= none V= volunteer P= paid	45 Number of families signing Bible Study Commitment Cards	46 Begin weekly workers meet	47 New Baptist Hymnal 75	48 Begin visitation program	49 History committee	50 Baptist Men s Day	51 Seminary degree	52 Christian Literature Day	53 State paper in budget
																			Does church have observe plan use etc ? Y YES N NO							
BEULAH	MR. HOYT CHAMPION, Rt.1- Box 37- Tryon, 28782	0	0	0	0	7	0	786	0	N	2	4	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y
BIG LEVEL	MR. JOHN B. HAYS- Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	1	0	137	0	N	2	5	0	0	0	0	V	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y
COLUMBUS	MR. BARRY MILLER- Thorne Avenue- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	488	40	N	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
COOPER'S GAP	MR. TED OWENS- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,563	0	N	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
FAITH	MR. JACK L. JOLLEY- Rt.1-Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	24	0	502	0	N	1	4	0	0	0	1	N	0	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
FAITH TEMPLE	MR. ROBERT T. PAINTER- Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	N	1	13	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
GREEN CREEK	MR. W.E. BARNETTE- Rt.2-Box 2443- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	4	0	285	0	N	2	0	0	0	0	0	V	0	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y
GREEN RIVER	MR. KENNETH WALKER- 601 Aron Dr.-Spartanburg, SC	0	1	0	0	3	0	177	0	N	2	1	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
HICKORY GROVE	MR. EARL STEADMAN- Rt.2- Box 1481- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	5	0	610	0	N	2	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y
MIDWAY	MR. JOHN GIBBS- Blanton St.- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	33	0	101	0	N	2	15	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
MILL SPRINGS	MR. RAYMOND OWENS- Mill Spring, NC , 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	245	0	N	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
MORGAN CHAPEL	MR. DALE FOX - Rt.1- Campobello, SC	0	0	0	0	0	0	207	0	N	2	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
PACOLET HILLS	MR. CLIFFORD STOTT- Rt.1- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	3	0	220	0	N	1	6	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PEA RIDGE	MR. GEORGE PRICE- Rt.1- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PENIEL	MR. HOMER PITTMAN- Rt.2- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	10	0	758	0	N	2	20	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PLEASANT GROVE	MR. ALVIN BAILEY- Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
SANDY SPRINGS	MR. JIM SCRUGGS- Rt.2- Columbus, 28722	0	0	0	0	10	0	728	0	N	2	8	0	0	0	0	V	0	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
SILVER CREEK	MR. LOYD JACKSON - Rt.2- Mill Spring, 28756	0	0	0	0	17	0	620	0	N	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
TRYON SECOND	MR. ROY BURRELL- Box 814- Tryon, 28782	0	0	0	0	21	6	129	0	N	1	4	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	MR. GENE ANDERSON- Box 194- Saluda, NC , 28773	0	0	0	1	9	0	250	0	N	1	13	0	0	0	0	N	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
TOTALS		0	1	0	1	149	7	8,806	40		29	93	0	0	0	1		0								

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POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA

1983

Green River Baptist Church - Established 1875

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

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Meeting With

GREEN RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

October 20, 1983

Boyce Bradshaw, *Moderator*

Jean Painter, *Clerk*

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PROGRAM FOR THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Green River Baptist Church

October 20, 1983

THEME: *Reaching People and Growing Stronger Churches Through Development"*

2:00	Call to Worship	James Rogers Director of Music Polk Baptist Association
	Scripture and Prayer	Hartsell Grubbs Pastor of Sandy Springs Baptist Church
	Welcome	Boyce Bradshaw, Host Pastor
2:15	Declaration of 14th Annual Program	Boyce Bradshaw
	Adoption of Program	
	Presentation of Book of Reports	Marshall Simpson
	Introduction of New Personnel and Visitors	
2:25	Business Session	Moderator, Boyce Bradshaw
	Associational Budget	Wilma Jolley
	Annuity	Steve Hardin
2:35	Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter	Leroy McCraw-Guest-Rev. Luther Osment
	Baptist Homes For The Aging	Loyd Jackson-Guest-Mr. Hugh Starnes
	Baptist Hospital	Bill Painter-Guest-Mr. Calvin Knight
	Baptist Foundation	Jack Jolley
3:00	Adoption of Reports	
	Hymn	James Rogers
	Special Music	
3:15	Annual Sermon	John Edwards Pastor of Hickory Grove Baptist Church
3:45	Break (10 Minutes)	
3:55	Hymn	James Rogers
4:00	American Bible Society	Herman Bright
	Christian Education	Helen Godfrey-Guest-Rev. Henry Stokes
	Baptist Student Union	Vince Hefner Pastor of Pacolet Hills Baptist Church
	Christian Literature	Delia Ann Byrd
	Christian Action League	Benson Hodge
4:20	Missions	
	Christian Stewardship	George Lynch
	North Carolina Missions	John Rogers
	Home and Foreign Missions	Judy Arledge
4:45	Reports of Organizations	
	Sunday School	John Godfrey
	Church Training	Wesley Price
	Brotherhood	Howard Phillips
	W.M.U.	Roena Smothers
	Music	James Rogers
	V.B.S.	Melba Gregory

5:00	Executive Committee Report	Jean Painter
	Finance Report	Wilma Jolley
	Committee on Committees	John Godfrey
5:15	Nominating Committee	John Rogers
5:20	Historian	Miriam Arledge
5:25	Hymn	James Rogers
5:30	Time, Preacher, Place Report	Paul Whitesides
5:35	Evangelism	John Edwards
5:45	Memorials	Doris Bradshaw
6:00	Break for Evening Meal	

EVENING SESSION FOR THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

7:00	Hymn	James Rogers
7:05	Scripture and Prayer	Vince Hefner
	Special Music	
7:15	Mountain State 200	Rev. Lawrence Stewart Beckley, West Virginia
7:45	Business (Additional and Unfin.)	
	Radio and Television Min.	Terry Pleasant
	General Board Representative	Boyce Bradshaw
	Director of Missions Report	Marshall Simpson
7:55	Resolutions	Jo Anne Moss
8:00	Adoption of Reports and Program	
8:05	Polk Baptist Associational Choir	James Rogers
8:30	Message of CHALLENGE	Rev. Oren Bradley Retired Director of Missions, Surry Association
	Benediction and Prayer of Dedication for New Officers for 1983-84	

During the evening session special awards will be given to churches that have met Bold Mission Thrust. Rev. Robert Bates, our missionary in residence, will present awards to two of our churches that achieved BOLD MISSION THRUST in four categories.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Polk Baptist Association met for its fourteenth annual session at the Green River Baptist Church on October 20, 1983 at 2:00 P.M. The theme for the year was "Reaching People and Growing Stronger Churches Through Development."

The call to worship, the song, "When We All Get To Heaven", was led by Mr. James Rogers, Associational Music Director. Rev. Hartsell Grubbs, pastor of Sandy Springs Baptist Church led the devotional using Matthew 25 followed with prayer.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, host pastor gave the welcome, and also as Moderator gave the declaration of the fourteenth annual program. There was a motion for the adoption of the program by Rev. John Godfrey with a second.

The presentation of the Book of Reports was given by Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions. The following new pastors and visitors were recognized by Rev. Simpson: Rev. Steve Hardin, Morgan Chapel; Rev. Hartsell Grubbs, Sandy Springs; Rev. Mike Davis, Peniel; and Mr. Thomas Sawyer, Mars Hill College.

The following business was transacted: The Associational Budget report was given by Mrs. Wilma Jolley with a motion to adopt and a second. The Annuity report was given by Rev. Steve Hardin who urged all pastors to join and participate in the program.

Mr. Leroy McCraw gave the report of the Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter. He introduced Miss Linda Woody from Broyhill Home who gave a good report on the work in this home. She thanked all the people of the Polk Association for their support both financially and in other ways. Plans now include independent living quarters, and the children learn to function on their own.

The report of the Baptist Home for the Aging was introduced by Rev. Lee Gregory. Rev. Hugh Starnes spoke about our homes. Rev. Starnes informed us that the name of the home may be changed to Baptist Retirement Home. They hope to add a nursing care center in the near future and possibly later apartment complexes. He told us that 60% of the residents were unable to pay the total cost of living in the home. He also urged us to remember the Baptist Home for The Aging in our wills.

Rev. Calvin Knight from the Baptist Hospital was introduced by Rev. William Painter. He brought the following report: 1. The Baptist Hospital has the responsibility to care for "the whole person." 2. The hospital does procedures that cannot be done by a community hospital. Mr. Knight invited us to visit the hospital or have a representative from the hospital visit in our church.

The Baptist Foundation Report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley in the absence of her husband, Mr. Jack Jolley.

There was a motion to adopt the reports with a second by Rev. William Painter. Our music director then led us in singing "We're Marching to Zion" and blessed our hearts by the special, "Singing I Go."

Rev. John Edwards, pastor of Hickory Grove Baptist Church, brought the message for our annual sermon. He spoke to us on the topic, "God's Plan for Progress." Rev. Edwards based his message on Isaiah 54. He inspired our hearts to reach out and broaden our horizons and to enlarge the place of our

tents and uplift Jesus. He emphasized the following points: (1) What to do? - Care for the world. (2) How To Do It? Draw a curtain against sin, apathy, indifference, and secularism. We get so busy doing good things that we forget the best things. Lengthen the cords to stand more pressure, and get ready for the big things. Strengthen the stakes, and prepare for crisis. The stakes are: (a) Know what the scriptures say; (b) Have a Vision; (c) Be Faithful; (d) Christian Stewardship; (e) Bible Reading and Prayer; (f) Good Christian Home. (3) Why Should We Do It? The Love of God in our hearts. Without love 8.5 by 85 is an empty dream. POLK COUNTY CAN'T WAIT!

Following a ten minute break we were called back in session by singing "Standing On the Promises". Our music director, Mr. James Rogers then blessed us with a special, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness."

The American Bible Society report was given by Rev. Herman Bright followed by a report by Mr. John Woodard representing the Baptist Historical Association, and the Wake Forest University Archives. He said they have records available on microfilm (such as church records, associational minutes, a vertical file and a biography file.)

Mr. Thomas Sawyer spoke to us on Christian Education and brought greetings from Mars Hill College.

The Baptist Student Union report was given by Vince Hefner, pastor of Pacolet Hills Baptist Church and also a student at Gardner-Webb College.

Rev. Benson Hodge gave the report of the Christian Action League and urged us to pray for the league and the fine work that they do.

There was a motion made with a second that these reports be adopted. The vote aye.

The following mission reports were given: Rev. George Lynch reported on Christian Stewardship; Rev. John Rogers reported on North Carolina Missions, and a video tape was presented; Rev. Rogers also presented the Home and Foreign Missions Report in the absence of Mrs. Judy Arledge.

We then heard the reports of the various organizations in the Association. The Sunday School report was given by Rev. M.R. Simpson in the absence of Rev. John Godfrey. A motion was made to adopt and was seconded.

The Church Training Report was given by Rev. William Painter who announced that "M" night would be held on November 21st at Faith Temple Baptist Church. He also introduced Mr. Jim Simpson from the state office who presented a video tape and spoke to this report. He presented the following acrostics:

D-octrine
E-thics
P-olicy of organizations
T-eaching of skills
H-istory

Rev. John Edwards, Chairman of the Evangelism Committee, gave the report and announced that our Associational Revival would be October 23-26 at Mill Spring School. Each Church is to pay $25 to defray expenses of the revival.

Mrs. Doris Bradshaw gave the Memorial Report and led in prayer.

We were adjourned with prayer for the evening meal.

The evening session convened at 6:45 P.M. with Rev. Houston Moses, Vice Moderator, presiding. A hymn was led by Mr. James Rogers. We sang "Stand Up For Jesus". Our scripture and prayer were given by Rev. Vince Hefner, pastor of Pacolet Hills Baptist Church. Mr. Rogers followed with a solo, "There Is Joy In My Soul".

Rev. Lawrence Stewart of Mountain State 200, Beckley, West Virginia, presented a plaque made from the timber of the old church building to Rev. Simpson, Mr. Howard Phillips, and Mrs. Roena Smothers. He also challenged our hearts with the way in which God is working in Beckley. He also expressed appreciation for the work and help of Polk Association.

The Sunday School report which was given by Rev. John Godfrey had already been approved in a previous action. Rev. Moses then called for any additional or unfinished business. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Moderator, nominated the following to serve on the Committee of Committees. They are: Rev. Steve Hardin, Terry Pleasant, and Hartsell Grubbs. The approval was given by a vote of aye.

Mr. James Rogers expressed appreciation for all of the faithful ones who had come for the choir practices. He also invited others to come and share in the Associational Choir as other performances were planned in the future.

The Radio and Television Report was given by Rev. Terry Pleasant who made a motion to adopt and it was seconded. Motion carried by saying aye.

Rev. Robert Batess, Missionary in residence, was present to present awards for churches who met the challenges of Phase 1, Bold Mission Thrust, from 1977-82. There were four categories of achievement: 1. Double in Baptisms; 2. Double the Cooperative Program; 3. Double in tithes and offerings; and 4. Double in gifts to Association Missions. Two churches achieved all four awards. They were Midway and Warrior Mountain. Six churches doubled in Baptisms: Mill Spring, First, Morgan Chapel, Peniel, Tryon Second, Midway, and Warrior Mountain. Six churches doubled in tithes and offerings: Columbus, Cooper's Gap, Faith Temple, Pleasant Grove, Midway, and Warrior Mountain; Six churches doubled in gifts to Associational Missions: Big Level, Cooper's Gap, Faith Temple, Silver Creek, Midway, and Warrior Mountain. Ten churches doubled in Cooperative Program gifts; Big Level, Cooper's Gap, Faith Temple, Hickory Grove, Mill Spring, Morgan Chapel, Silver Creek, Tryon Second, Midway, and Warrior Mountain. A total of sixteen of our twenty churches received awards. Rev. Bates spoke of this spirit of cooperation and commended the churches for their achievements.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was given by Mrs. Millie Simpson with a motion to adopt. Seconded.

The Associational Choir under the direction of James Rogers blessed our hearts with beautiful singing.

Our message of challenge was presented by Rev. Oren Bradley, retired director of missions for the Surry Association. His great challenge was: "Why do we believe in Missions?" 1. God told us to do it! 2. The conditions in the world demand it. 3. Missions is the way I can let myself go beyond the confines of my own surrounding and reach others.

Rev. Bradley's unique bits of wisdom and humor dispersed in such a heart-warming challenge to our messengers sent us back to our churches determined to move forward in the days ahead.

The Fourteenth Annual Polk Baptist Association was dismissed with a prayer of dedication for our new officers.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N. C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches. The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office

as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V – ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nomination committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI – COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of $1.50 each.

SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs for the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.

2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Article I - RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article II - PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Director of Missions:

PART I. Duties: The Director of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duty will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Director of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Director of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Director of Missions is permitted to conduct two one week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as he is physically possible. The services of the Director of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Director of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Director of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Director shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Director of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - SECTION II: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, more than 150-20 copies.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XV: Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVII (Committees): Recreation Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVIII (Committees): Youth Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE V - SECTION III: That the Associational Senior Co-ordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "a" before the "Music Director"; adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Co-ordinator."

ARTICLE V - SECTION IV: That the official title, "Superintendent of Missions" be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title "Director of Missions."

ARTICLE IV, Section II: (Reception of Churches) - Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from "The churches so received to "A newly established Southern Baptist Church or churches so received" - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: "An older - established Southern Baptist Church or churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watch care of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present."

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XIX: The following committees are to serve on a rotation basis: Audio-Visual Aids, Committee on Committees, Constitutional Changes Committee, Evangelism Committee, Memorials Committee, Nominating Committee, Ordination Committee, Place and Preacher Committee, Reception and Location of Churches Committee, Resolutions Committee, Recreation Committee, and Youth Committee. If the Committee is composed of three members one member shall rotate annually. If the committee is composed of six members two members shall rotate annually.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the Association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy. Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies - 150 or less - 15 copies - More than 150 - 20 copies.

PART 6. Our Association shall be grouped into four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches shall join the association equal distribution shall be made.

Group 1 - Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Pleasant Grove, and Faith Temple.

Group 2 - Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, and Beulah.

Group 3 - Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, and Green Creek.

Group 4 - Columbus, Peniel, Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain.

Each group will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1983-84

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. Houston Moses
Clerk ..... Mrs. William Painter
Treasurer ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Historian ..... Mrs. Pauline Bell
Parliamentarian ..... Rev. Jack Weaver
Pastoral Ministry Leader ..... Rev. Lee Gregory
Director of Missions ..... Rev. Marshall Simpson

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

Sunday School* ..... Rev. John Godfrey
Church Training ..... Rev. William Painter
V.B.S. Director* ..... Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
W.M.U. Director* ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Brotherhood Director* ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
Music Director* ..... Mr. James Rogers

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Baptist Foundation ..... Mr. Jack Jolley
Baptist Homes for Aging ..... Mr. Eugene Morgan
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. William Painter
Baptist Student Union ..... Rev. Vince Hefner
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Benson Hodge
Christian Higher Education ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Donald Byrd
Christian Stewardship and
The Cooperative Program ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions ..... Rev. John Rogers
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
Radio and T.V. Commission ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant
North Carolina State General Board ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

**Previously approved by Association Executive Committee*

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John Rogers, Chairman
Mr. Leroy McCraw
Rev. Dillard Davidson

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT
1983-84

Non Rotating Committees

BUDGET AND FINANCE
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman
Consists of Directors of Departments, plus Moderator and Treasurer

MISSIONS COMMITTEE
Consists of all Officers and Directors of Departments
(Elects its own Chairman)

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Chairman
Rev. William Painter
Mr. Eugene Morgan

PROGRAM AND CALENDAR
General Officers and Heads of Departments

ASSOCIATIONAL SENIOR COORDINATOR
Mr. A.E. Morgan

TRUSTEES
Mr. Jack Jolley
Mr. Ted Owens
Mr. Earl Taylor

MEDIA CENTER DIRECTOR
Mrs. Millie Simpson

Rotating Committees

EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE
(1984) Rev. M.R. Simpson
(1985) Rev. Wesley Price (C.)
(1986) Rev. John Edwards

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES
(1984) Mr. John Gibbs
(1985) Mr. Glenn Burgess (C.)
(1986) Rev. Steve Hardin

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE
(1984) Mr. Glenn Burgess
(1985) Rev. John Edwards (C.)
(1986) Rev. Jack Weaver

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
(1984) Rev. John Rogers
(1985) Rev. Dillard Davidson (C.)
(1986) Mr. James Hugh Stott

ORDINATION COMMITTEE
(1984) Rev. Houston Moses (C.)
(1984) Rev. George Lynch
(1985) Rev. Herman Bright
(1985) Rev. Dillard Davidson
(1986) Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
(1986) Mr. Eugene Champion

PLACE AND PREACHER
(1984) Mr. Kenneth Williams
(1985) Mr. Paul Whitesides (C.)
(1986) Rev. Fred Rhodes

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
(1984) Mrs. Ladd Edwards
(1985) Mrs. Jo Ann Moss (C.)
(1986) Mrs. Judy Jackson

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE
(1984) Mrs. Helen Godfrey (C.)
(1985) Mrs. Opal Edwards
(1986) Mrs. Melba Gregory

RECREATION COMMITTEE
(1984) Rev. Benson Hodge
(1985) Mr. Ronnie Champion
(1986) Mr. Norman Morgan

YOUTH COMMITTEE
(1984) Mrs. Debbie Jackson
(1984) Mrs. Patricia Case
(1985) Mr. David Moore
(1985) Rev. Terry Pleasant
(1986) Mrs. Nell Bennett
(1986) Miss Jody Shytle

RECEPTION & LOCATION OF CHURCHES
(1984) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
(1985) Rev. John Edwards
(1986) Rev. Jack Weaver (C.)

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John Godfrey (C.)
Rev. Dillard Davidson
Rev. John Edwards
Rev. Jack Weaver

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1982-83

Beginning Balance Oct. 1, 1982		$12,703.13
Contributions:		
Regular	$20,326.57	
W. VA. Stewarts	1,945.00	
W. VA. Hardins	450.00	
Revival	345.00	
Thermal Y.S.	100.00	
Total	$23,166.57	
Other:		
Baptist State Con.	$1,624.98	
Baptist State Con.	500.00	
Simpsons (West Va.)	675.00	
W. Virginia	35.00	
Simpsons (Revival)	25.00	
W. VA. (Stove)	15.00	
T.V.	319.00	
W. VA. Love Off. Simpsons	595.00	
	$3,788.98	
Total Contributions		$26,955.55
TOTAL		$39,658.68
Transfer From Special Fund		9,451.52
TOTAL		$49,110.20
Less Expenses		41,252.80
Total		$ 7,857.40
Interest		1,383.20
Beginning Bal. Oct. 1, 1983		$ 9,240.60

EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1982-83 POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Salary	$ 4,500.00
Secretary	2,799.96
Utilities	2,499.96
Petty Cash (Mail Per.)	736.00
Telephone	511.70
Space, Heat, etc.	480.00
Annuity	1,066.68
Assoc. Revival	532.58
Plaque and Bible	83.74
W. Va. (Stewarts)	2,190.00
W. Va. (Hardins)	450.00
W. Va. (Bapt. W. Stove)	15.00
W. Va. Land (Simpsons L.O.)	595.00
Thermal B. Youth S.	630.00
Simpsons (Christmas G.)	500.00
Assoc. Speakers (Annual M.)	75.00
Annual Minutes	702.00
T.V.'s (2 13")	580.00

Flowers (Fun. Mrs. Godfrey)	45.00
Brotherhood	243.82
W.M.U.	109.45
V.B.S.	173.52
S.B.C. Convention (Simpsons)	500.00
Certificate N.C.N.B.	10,000.00
Lot For Building	11,233.39
TOTAL	$41,252.80

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES 1982-83

CHURCHES	REG.	STEW. W. VA.	HARDINS	YOUTH S.	REV.
Beulah	$1,417.08	$ 180.00			$ 20.00
Big Level	2,160.00	280.00	$200.00		20.00
Columbus	2,270.53				
Cooper's Gap	3,390.06	150.00	250.00		20.00
Faith	586.00	150.00			20.00
Faith Temple	25.00				20.00
Green Creek	300.00				20.00
Green River	450.00	300.00		$100.00	20.00
Hickory Grove	2,303.90				20.00
Midway	832.00				20.00
Mill Spring	516.78				20.00
Morgan Chapel	300.00				
Pacolet Hills	183.00	200.00			
Pea Ridge	500.00				20.00
Peniel	240.00	300.00			20.00
Pleasant Grove	700.00				20.00
Sandy Springs	1,510.00	60.00			25.00
Silver Creek	1,650.00	220.00			20.00
Tryon Second	592.22				20.00
Warrior Mt.	400.00	105.00			20.00
TOTALS	$20,326.57	$1,945.00	$450.00	$100.00	$345.00

CAMPLAND SPECIAL FUND 1982-83

Beginning Bal. Oct. 1, 1982		$12,478.23
Receipts:		
Land Payment	$9,000.00	
Simpsons (W.Va.)	57.16	
TOTAL	$9,057.16	9,057.16
Certificate Cashed		10,000.00
Interest		1,091.59
TOTAL		$32,626.98
Expenses:		
Contribution to churches	$15,991.38	
Contributions to W. Va.	295.84	

Contributions to Special F.	4,960.04	
Interest to churches	1,512.57	
Interest to W. Va.	647.00	
Interest to Special F.	423.43	
Simpsons-Land W. Va.	57.16	
Paid to Miller Estate	3,000.00	
Total Expenses	$ 26,887.42	
Total Expenses		$26,887.42
Total Remaining		$ 5,739.56
Transferred from Check. to S.F.		5,383.47
Total		$ 11,123.03
Transfer to pay for lots		9,451.52
Ending Bal. Oct. 1, 1983		$ 1,671.51
NCNB Certificate	$17,000.00	
NCNB Certificate	10,000.00	
Total	$27,000.00	
Nationwide Fund	$13,114.39	
Nationwide Youth F.	3,762.87	

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1983-84

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:

Sunday School	$250.00
Church Training	250.00
W.M.U.	500.00
V.B.S.	350.00
Brotherhood	500.00
Music	200.00
Associational Speakers	200.00
Associational Minutes	800.00
Evangelism	300.00
Video Tapes, Films, Aids	400.00
Youth Program	300.00
TOTAL	$4,050.00

II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:

Office Space and Utilities	$3,000.00
Printing and Supplies	400.00
Telephone	500.00
Petty Cash, Postage, etc.	500.00
TOTAL	$4,400.00

III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES:

Salary	$4,500.00
Secretary	3,800.00
Utilities and Housing	2,100.00
TOTAL	$10,400.00

IV. OTHER EXPENSES:

Southern, State, Evang., Conv.	$1,000.00
Annuity	1,080.00
Christmas Gifts;	
Director of Missions	300.00
Secretary	200.00
Youth Shelter	600.00
Association Travel (20¢ per Mile)	400.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
TOTAL	$4,080.00

GRAND TOTAL BUDGET $22,930.00

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman, Rev. John Edwards
Rev. John Godfrey, Mr. Howard Phillips
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Rev. Wesley Price

Our West Virginia Project was omitted. We will leave the amount for this to be in the individual church budgets. We do hope that it can be increased to $250 a month this year. *If more funds are needed here the churches will be asked to share.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 13, 1983

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Mill Spring Church on Sunday, February 13, 1983, at 2:30 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw who also led in prayer.

The clerk called the roll of churches. There were 16 persons present with 7 churches represented.

There was a call for any old business and none was presented.

Copies of the financial report were passed out and reviewed. Rev. Simpson informed us that he had received a call from Rev. Lawrence Stewart and the offerings from the Polk Baptist Association have helped them go over the goal in purchasing land. Rev. Bradshaw expressed his gratitude at being able to attend the dedication of the new Baptist State Convention Building in Cary.

The following new business was presented to the Committee: Rev. John Edwards stated that at a previous meeting the matter of finding new office facilities for the Asssociation was moved from the Long Range Planning Committee into the hands of the Trustees. He made a motion that we rescind the previous action and move it back into the hands of the Long Range Planning Committee. The motion carried with a second.

There was a discussion led by Rev. Edwards that we make immediate plans for relocating the office.

Rev. Lee Gregory said it would be good to have it back in the hands of the Long Range Planning Committee.

A question by Rev. Bradshaw: Do we keep the same Long Range Planning Committee or do we elect some new ones? We would keep the same ones since they were already elected.

There was a motion made to rescind the previous action with a second.

Rev. Simpson announced that we have some people going to Beckley, West Virginia, with a truck load of merchandise. Rev. Stewart reports very good progress in starting mission.

The Missions Committee reported that it might be advisable to sell the 19 inch set to Rev. Simpson and purchase two 13 inch new ones. Motion seconded. Call for discusstion. Voted by show of hands. We now have two tapes available.

Rev. John Edwards spoke to us about the inquires that have been made about the campground money. He urged us to take action and leave the money in the Association if possible to go for the purchase of a new land site.

The following announcements were made after Rev. Hartsell Grubbs was recognized and welcomed in to the Association. Rev. Grubbs is the new pastor at Sandy Springs.

Henry Huntsinger announced that the Gideons would like to come to each church and make about a thirty minute speech. He told us that all of their money goes to purchase Bibles.

The choir from Gardner-Webb College will be at the Hickory Grove Church, Sunday, February 20th.

Dr. Ernest Upchurch will be here on March 21st at 10:30 AM for a discussion about his recent survey of our county.

We were dismissed by a prayer led by Rev. Lee Gregory.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Painter

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 1, 1983

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Mill Spring Church on Sunday, May 1st, at 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions. Rev. John Edwards led in prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved with one correction.

Rev. Simpson informed us of the progress of Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He is doing well and we should continue to remember him in prayer.

Rev. Mike Davis was recognized and welcomed into our Association as the new pastor at Peniel.

There was a question raised concerning changing the first Sunday in May to another date since there are so many conflicts.

There was a call for any old business. The clerk called the roll of churches. There were 10 churches represented. We were encouraged to look ahead to the Sunday School Enlargement program.

Rev. Aaron Pruitt reported on the Youth Revival for the Association. There are no definite plans. The Committee was thinking about August and a team from Gardner-Webb College.

The Baptist Women are planning a covered dish supper with a love offering for Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Contributions may be made to the Green River Church for Rev. Bradshaw.

Rev. Simpson encouraged us to contact the absentees and bring them back into the church.

The financial report was passed out and reviewed.

Mr. Ted Owens, Chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee announced that they would need to call a special meeting when plans for a new location are finalized.

There was a motion made that we take part of our money out of savings and put it in a higher interest certificate. The decision would be made at the discretion of the treasurer. This is to be above the regular spending. There was a second to the motion. There was a show of hands for approval.

The dismissal prayer was given by Rev. Mike Davis, the new pastor at Peniel.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Painter

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

June 26, 1983

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at a special called meeting, Sunday, June 26, 1983, at 2:30 P.M. at Mill Spring First.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Moderator, who also led in prayer. The Moderator shared with us that we were to be united and work together for a better Association. We should put our personal feeling aside and do our business as Christians and in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

The motion made that we bring previous motion (land motion tabled at last meeting) off table. It was voted upon by a show of hands and the motion carried.

Rev. John Edwards spoke to the group concerning the motion. He has had comments both pro and con. He wanted to clear up some misinformation.

1. The land is too steep. It could be scooped out with entrance from the rear.

2. There is a sewer line through the property. The sewer line is 12 feet deep and would not interfere with the structure.

3. Ted Owens purchased one lot for $4600. Along with the two other lots and the realtor fee the total cost would amount to $11,060.

Zoning-Lots 1 and 2 are zoned for business and lot 3 is zoned for a residential lot.

There was a period of question and answer from the group. The question of a basement came up and there would be space for that without digging any more. The matter of manholes on the property was settled by Ted Owens who stated that there was enough land without building over the manholes.

John Godfrey stated that a 36x50 building would suit the needs of the Association and there was plenty of room.

The question of who should vote upon the final decision was raised and it was moved that only the Executive Committee members vote.

There was a vote by the raising of hands. 18 for the purchase and 11 against. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

August 7, 1983

Twenty-five members from eleven churches met on Sunday, August 7, 1983, at 2:30 P.M. at Mill Spring Baptist Church. The Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, called the meeting to order and Rev. Lee Gregory opened the meeting with prayer. The following items were on the agenda:

1. Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Associational Treasurer, presented the proposed budget for 1983-84. After a brief discussion the Executive Committee approved the proposed budget and it will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting in October.

2. Rev. John Rogers, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following Directors for our organizations for 1983-84:

Sunday School ..... John Godfrey
Church Training .....
Vacation Bible School ..... Dorothy Rogers

Music Director .....James Rogers
W.M.U. Director.....Miriam Arledge
Brotherhood Director.....Howard Phillips

These were unanimously approved by the Executive Committee.

3. Rev. Houston Moses, Chairman of the Ordination Committee, presented two young men who had been examined. Vince Hefner and Robbie Vance were approved by the committee and were extended the best wishes and prayers of the committee. Robbie Vance will be ordained on August 14, 1983, at 3 P.M. at Hickory Grove Baptist Church. Robbie leaves for Southwestern Seminary soon. Vince will be ordained later. At present Vince is serving Pacolet Hills as pastor. Those present pledged support for these two fine young men.

4. Mr. Howard Phillips, Brotherhood Director, gave an excellent report on the work of our Brotherhoods. The jail ministry has been outstanding with 15 professions of faith. Also, the visits to the two Nursing Homes by the churches have been well received. The churches must not forget their obligation to serve and will be reminded by the secretary. There have been four Brotherhoods organized this year. The men were urged to fill out a "blue card" and return to the director.

5. Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions, urged the churches to remember the new Social Security Laws that go into effect in 1984 when making the budgets. He pleaded that the churches remember the pastor. He also reminded the group of the Annual Appreciation Day for pastors, their families, and staff. Faithful laborers are invited to Holmes State Park, September 2, at 4 P.M. until closing time.

The closing prayer was given by Rev. Wesley Price.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Painter, Clerk

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983-84

NOVEMBER — BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Nov. 6	Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day
Nov. 6-12	Royal Ambassador Week
Nov. 6	Executive Committee Meeting-Mill Spring-2:30 PM
Nov. 7	Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer-Faith Baptist Church: 10 AM. Covered lunch at 12. Night session 7 PM
Nov. 12-13	Baptist Men's Convention-Greensboro
Nov. 14-16	North Carolina Baptist State Convention-Greensboro
Nov. 20-23	Foreign Mission Study-Theme: Entering New Countries
Nov. 21	"M" Night-Faith Temple Baptist Church 7 PM
Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER—FOREIGN MISSION MONTH-LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

Dec. 4-11	Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions: Theme: "Because He First Loved Us"
Dec. 11	Foreign Mission Day in Sunday School
Dec. 13	Pastors and Wives Fellowship Supper
Dec. 17	Fruitland-Fall Quarter Graduation
Dec. 25	Christmas Day

JANUARY—BIBLE STUDY MONTH-FIRST CORINTHIANS

Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 2	Pastor's Conference-Mill Spring-7:30 PM
Jan. 2-6	January Bible Study-First Corinthians
Jan. 8	Witness Commitment
Jan. 20-21	Associational Bold Growth Training Fruitland
Jan. 22	Baptist Men's Day
Jan. 24-25	General Board Meeting-Caraway Center
Jan. 25-26	DOM Convention and Staff Caraway Center

FEBRUARY—W.M.U. FOCUS WEEK

Feb. 2-4	Joint Leadership Conference-Caraway
Feb. 2-3	Enlargement Training Clinic
Feb. 5	Baptist World Alliance Sunday
Feb. 5	Executive Committee Meeting-Mill Spring-2:30 PM
Feb. 6-7	State Evangelism Conference-Greensboro
Feb. 12-18	W.M.U. Focus Week
Feb. 12	Race Relations Sunday
Feb. 13-17	Area Doctrinal Training Seminars
Feb. 13	Pastors and wives fellowship supper
Feb. 19-22	Home Mission Study Theme: Missions U.S.A.
Feb. 20-21	Mountain Pastors' Workship-Ridgecrest

MARCH—HOME MISSIONS STUDY-ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING

Mar. 4-11	Week of Prayer for Home Missions-"New Visions, New Frontiers"
Mar. 5	Pastors' Conference-Mill Spring-7:30 PM
Mar. 8-9	V.B.S. Clinics for Associational Teams
Mar. 11-18	Youth Week
Mar. 14-15	Mountain Directors of Missions-Lake Junaluska
Mar. 16-17	State W.M.U. Annual Meeting-Fayetteville

APRIL BOLD MISSIONS—COOPERATIVE PROGRAM DAY

Apr. 2-6	Strengthening The Family Seminar-Ridgecrest
Apr. 2	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring-7:30 PM
Apr. 15	Cooperative Program Sunday
Apr. 15	Brotherhood Breakfast for Associational Brotherhood
Apr. 16-20	Baptist Doctrine Study
Apr. 22	Easter Sunday

MAY—CHRISTIAN HOME WEEK

May 6	Senior Adult Day
May 6	Executive Committee Meeting-Mill Spring-2:30 PM
May 6-13	Christian Home Week
May 8	W.M.U. Spring Meeting-Location to be announced later
May 13	Mother's Day
May 14-16	Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest
May 18-19	Baptist Men's Executive Board Meeting-Caraway
May 20	Baptist Radio and Television Sunday
May 20-27	Associational Emphasis Week
May 29-30	General Board Meeting

JUNE—SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION AT KANSAS CITY

June 1-2	Area Church Training Tournaments
June 4	Pastors' Conference-Mill Spring at 7:30 PM
June 10-11	W.M.U. SBC Annual Meeting-Kansas City, Missouri
June 12-14	SBC Convention at Kansas City, Missouri
June 17	Father's Day
June 26-July 1	W.M.U. Week at Ridgecrest

JULY—CHRISTIAN STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

July 2-6	Week of study and fellowship at Mars Hill College
July 4	Independence Day
July 2-7	Youth Evangelism Week-Baptist Assembly-Caswell
July 16-19	Associational Directors of Missions Conference-Wingate
July 18-21	National Acteens Convention-Fort Worth, Texas
July 20-21	Bivocational Ministers' Conference-Caraway
July 26-28	Church Training Mini-Conference-Caraway

AUGUST—YOUTH EVANGELISM EMPHASIS

Aug. 5	Executive Committee Meeting-Mill Spring at 2:30 PM
Aug. 10	Youth Evangelism Conference at Asheville
Aug. 13-17	Sunday School Preparation Readiness Tour
Aug. 19-26	Church Music Growth Week-Ridgecrest

SEPTEMBER—WEEK OF PRAYER FOR OUR STATE MISSIONS

Sept. 1-3	Lay Revival in Beckley, W.Va. led by Polk Brotherhood
Sept. 3	Labor Day
Sept. 2-8	Brotherhood Leadership Week
Sept. 9-16	Week of Prayer for State Missions
Sept. 27-28	G.A.-Mother and Daughter Camp-Mundo Vista
Sept. 25-27	General Board and DOM at Caraway

OCTOBER—COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MONTH
—ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

Oct. 2	Polk Baptist Associational Workshop for Brotherhood
Oct. 7-28	Each Sunday some emphasis on Cooperative Program
Oct. 14	World Hunger Day
Oct. 25	Polk Baptist Association Annual Meeting-Columbus

HISTORY OF GREEN RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

Green River Baptist Church was organized March 12, 1875 with Elder C.C. Case as the first pastor. The Sunday School was organized later when J.M. Williams was pastor.

The first church was built of logs and served as a meeting house for 34 years. In March of 1902 eight and one half acres of land were bought. This was to be the site of a new church building which was built in 1909. It was not until 1911 that a pulpit was bought and 1912 that money was collected to buy benches. This building served the people until 1959.

Green River Baptist Church was a member of the Sandy Run Association from 1899 until it joined the Green River Association in 1945. On September 28, 1969, the church voted to join the newly organized Polk Association.

The following are the church expenses for the week of September 12, 1948:

Pastor's salary	$25.00
Janitor's salary	3.00
Insurance	.56
Cooperative Program	2.00
Lights and Fuel	.77
Literature	1.54
Associational Missions	.48
Miscellaneous	.96

A building fund was started in February of 1953 to build a new church building. The first offering was $12.26. By December of 1955 the church reached a goal of $7,000, and they also had blue prints for the new building.

In the spring of 1957 work was begun on the educational building. It was to be 60′ by 32′, three stories high, with 16 Sunday School rooms, an office, and a kitchen. Six months later in November of 1957 the building was being used.

Construction on the present auditorium was begun in 1959, and the first worship service was held in it Easter Sunday, 1960. The church indebtedness was paid off in September of 1972.

The church celebrated its centennial anniversary on March 16, 1975.

A new parsonage was built in 1979-80, and the pastor, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, and his family moved in March 15, 1980.

The church parking lot was paved in June of 1983.

We rejoice in the progress of Green River Baptist Church, and we praise the Lord for His many blessings.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Historian

PASTORAL MINISTRIES REPORT

The title of Pastoral Ministries is a fairly new title for an old, old task. It is dealing with most all things related to pastor and his work with the church. One of the main functions is the growth of a church. This involves all organizations of a church.

The theme for Pastoral Ministries for 1983 through 1985 is "Reaching People and Developing Believers". This is an all inclusive title. Bring this down to every day living and it is what all churches should have been doing for years and years.

For a church to reach people and develop believers it takes the old fashioned "five star" church. This means that Sunday School, Church Training, W.M.U., Brotherhood, and the Music-Worship Ministry all need to work in great harmony. It takes all of these organizations to reach and develop people. This is what the task of Pastoral Ministries is all about.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. O. Lee Gregory

REPORT OF BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA—1983

We at Baptist Children's Homes are grateful for the way our mountain churches have captured the spirit of our Lord in their desire to care for needy children. Because of your faithfulness to us we have been able to maintain our ministry at maximum levels. Thermal Belt Baptist Youth Shelter in Forest City, the Maternity Home in Asheville, Craig Home at Ridgecrest, the group care program and the emergency care program at Broyhill and the Moody Farm in Macon County all continue to meet the needs of young lives.

The heaviest demands placed upon our services continue to be in relation to emergency care. Two of the eight emergency care homes are located in western North Carolina. In these centers, located at Forest City and on the Broyhill campus, we can receive a child with very brief notice out of a desperate circumstance and meet the needs of that child for up to 90 days. During this time, work is done with the family to enable the child to return or assistance is given in arranging for a more long term placement for the child. A very gracious ministry is the Maternity Home in Asheville. The problem of teenage pregnancies is epidemic in our society. Often these girls come to us feeling that life has virtually ended for them. It is a joy to observe them finding new Christian strength and purpose to begin all over again in even more positive directions.

We are coming to be increasingly grateful for the beautiful Moody Farm in the Iotla Valley of Macon County. The 300 acre site is now being used for recreational camping by children from our units of work all across the state. As needs become evident and resources become available, we anticipate further development on this lovely property in the year's ahead.

Of course the program of group care provided on the Broyhill campus continues as our lead operation in the western area. This is one of our four major group care campuses. It is always a happy privilege to welcome guests from our churches who come to visit us at Broyhill. At any time we are happy to set up a cottage tour, a showing of the film, "You Needed Me", and a tour of our campus.

On July 1, 1983, the Baptist Children's Homes welcomed its new president, Dr. Michael C. Blackwell, a native of Gastonia. Dr. Blackwell becomes the eighth President of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina and follows in a noble tradition of excellence established by the seven men who preceded him in this position. His unique talents, personality and commitments will assure this ministry remains at the vanguard of excellence in child care in meeting the challenge of resolving the hurts of children and families in need.

Luther Osment, Director
Western Area Family Services

THERMAL YOUTH SHELTER REPORT FOR 1983

Polk Baptist Association is indeed most fortunate to have the Thermal Youth Shelter at Forest City. Since it is close the people have access to its benefits. When there is a serious crisis in one of our families and the children are involved - it is then that we can turn to the youth shelter for aid.

At the present time this shelter is under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Dobson, who are most capable and who have a genuine love for youth. On special occasions one of our pastors, Rev. Bill Painter, and his wife relieve this couple. The Painters also spend one week-end there each month, and bring the youth to share in their Sunday worship at Faith Temple.

The shelter welcomed visits from some of our churches during the summer. Pacolet Hills Church, Morgan Chapel, Silver Creek, and perhaps others carried surplus vegetables and fruits to the home. These were most graciously received. A list of the needs of the home will be available upon request and friends are always welcome.

Several churches have added a certain amount in their budget for the home, and with inflation this is most helpful. Sandy Springs and Cooper's Gap are two churches that are helping and sharing. Polk Baptists have proposed $600 for the coming year. This is a help, but other gifts would be appreciated.

The Brotherhood of Polk Association spent some time at the shelter renovating bathrooms and other jobs.

It is teamwork that counts! Let's all work together to show our children and young people that we really care.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Representative

BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

We will all grow older, hopefully! Our homes for the Senior citizens are beautiful, comfortable, and liveable. Have you ever visited one of them? They welcome your visits, and your church could have a party in one if you desired. Silver Creek had a birthday party in the Asheville Home for one month. Faith Church sent jars and more jars for the people to use. Pick a time and go for a time of blessing. Full report on the next page.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Loyd Jackson, Representative

1983 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS ON THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES, INC.

Through North Carolina Baptists, God continues to bless our North Carolina Baptist Homes with meaningful blessings, and we are grateful!

One of the most significant blessings that we have received during the year has been a 31% increase in the percentage used for distribution of funds through the Cooperative Program. This percentage change, along with strong Cooperative Program support during the first five months of 1983, has meant an increase of $29,079.73 over the same period in 1982. Total Cooperative Program funds for the period totalled $135,647.39.

For the first five months of 1983, undesignated support through the North Carolina Missions Offering provided $74,087.47 toward the Homes' benevolent care needs. Designated gifts of $42,274.58 brought the total NCMO support to $116,362.05.

Through these mission gifts of $252,009.44, we were able to provide care for over 50% of the residents in the five Homes and Nursing Care who have limited resources. Even with this mission support, benevolent care exceeded the resources by $132,975.00 for the five-month period. This gap must be bridged, and we must continue to receive more through the Cooperative Program and the North Carolina Missions Offering if we are to meet the needs of residents in the Homes. This still leaves the many who are waiting to enter the Homes, but do not have sufficient funds to pay the cost of care.

The Baptist Homes have been and continue to be a benevolent care ministry throughout the 32 years of caring. Because of the over-extended benevolent care ministry, the Trustees have had to put a hold on admissions of persons who cannot demonstrate the resources to pay the cost of care for their life expectancy. Let's change this picture as rapidly as possible. The only way that it can be changed is through a concerted effort of increased giving through the Cooperative Program and the North Carolina Missions Offering.

Another step forward during May of this year was the approval by the Homes' Trustees of a Capital Funds Campaign of $2,500,000 for the meeting of needs on the Hayes Home Campus, Winston-Salem. This challenge will meet some of the very vital needs of updating the Nursing Care Unit. Included in this updating will be a physical therapy room, patient dining room/activity area, and other vital needs related to food service. A second area of need includes the building of additional rooms at Hayes Home. These rooms are desperately needed to make possible additional beds in the Nursing Care Unit. This expansion will require additional money beyond the current Capital Funds Campaign. The upcoming campaign will be the first major capital funds effort that the Baptist Homes have undertaken. We covet your prayers for a successful effort.

The needs of older persons in our nation and state become more and more acute with each passing day. It is imperative that we focus more on the needs and that we provide as wisely as we can for them in the family of our North Carolina Baptist Homes, now and for the future.

We believe that the future of the Homes' ministry is in God's hands. We shall continue to trust Him for our needs, and urge you to join Him and us as we strive to meet the needs of this vital ministry to older persons.

W.A. Poole
Executive Director

BAPTIST HOSPITAL
Report to the Associations
1983

Baptist Hospital has celebrated its sixtieth anniversary during 1983 by continuing to expand and improve its services.

During the year the hospital has installed a nuclear magnetic resonance machine in the Department of Diagnostic Radiology. With the use of radio waves, this machine produces pictures as good as or better than standard x-rays and can also provide valuable information based on the body's chemistry without posing any radiation hazard.

Baptist Hospital is also providing a new treatment aimed at finding and removing the cause of heart attacks. The procedure attempts to dissolve clots in the coronary arteries feeding blood to the heart muscle by injecting a clot-dissolving drug through a catheter.

During the past year a survey team from the North Carolina Department of Human Resources designated the hospital's Emergency Department as a Level I trauma center which indicates that the department offers all major services for serious injuries twenty-four hours a day seven days a week.

Because of these and other services provided by the hospital, a total of 23,903 patients were admitted to its approximately 700 beds during the year for a total of 213,021 days of patient care. An additional 66,039 persons visited the hospital's emergency room and outpatient clinics.

The Department of Pastoral Care provided more than 14,000 hours of pastoral service to hospital patients, their families, and the Medical Center staff besides leading at least four worship services each week in the Davis Memorial Chapel. The Pastoral Counseling division provided 14,493 hours of counseling to persons who had individual or family problems or concerns. The Clinical Pastoral Education division provided training at some level for more than 100 students. During the past year Dr. Mahan Siler, who has been with the department for ten years, resigned as its director in order to return to the pastorate.

In order to provide adequate care of its patients, Baptist Hospital employs approximately 3,500 people and has buildings and equipment valued at more than $100,000,000. The operating budget for 1983 was $101,000,000.

During the past year the hospital trustees have reviewed plans for another major capital expansion program to begin when construction funds are available.

Careful management with continuing emphasis on cost-containment projects has made it possible for the hospital to operate in the black with only a 4 percent room rate increase during the past year.

During the 1982 fiscal year the hospital received from the churches of the Baptist State Convention a total of $497,019 through the Cooperative Program and $343,665 through the North Carolina Missions Offering. Cooperative Program funds helped to underwrite the budget of the Pastoral Care Department and the gifts received through North Carolina Missions Offering assist financially needy patients in paying their hospital bills.

The hospital administration and staff are deeply grateful to the Baptist State Convention and all its constituents whose leadership and support make it possible for the hospital to provide these ministries.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. William Painter, Representative

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

Have you ever received a "Mrs. Pig letter"? We want our 1983 report to be such a thank you note to North Carolina Baptists.

When our children were tots they; like other children, had their favorite story book that never was read enough to suit them. Even today as adults, they agree that Postman of Bayberry Lane was their favorite book, The gist of the story centered around Mrs. Pig who everyday met the postman at her mail box but to no avail. The postman felt "sorry" for Mrs. Pig because her box was always empty so he suggested she have a party and invite all the other ladies in the community, such as Mrs. Cow, Mrs. Horse, Mrs. Sheep, etc. The party was planned, the ladies came, and for days afterwards thank you notes were delivered by Mr. Postman to Mrs. Pig. So, at our house, when thank you notes are written or received, we chuckle and remember with nostalgia that these are "Mrs. Pig letters".

We of the Foundation are indeed thankful for what Baptists of North Carolina are doing to guarantee support for the multitude of Christian missions and ministries carried on by Baptists. To serve in the Trustee role as managers of trust funds established by gifts from individuals, both living and through Will, is an exciting experience.

During the past year increased interest has been shown by individuals attending estate planning seminars sponsored by the Foundation and through personal visits by Foundation staff. Greater numbers are committing a tithe of what they leave at death, when they no longer need it, to Christian causes.

The asset value of trusts held at the end of last fiscal year totalled $8,214,696.00. Designated new additions to trusts were $276,815.00. Income from investments of trust assest toalled $523,140.00. Investment asset market value gain during the year was $393,812.00.

We are thankful for the facilities in the new Baptist Building making it possible to have the staff in one suite of offices. It has been pleasant to welcome many adult church groups who have visited the new building.

We welcome other visits or opportunities to discuss with individuals effective estate planning alternatives involving Wills and trusts which could provide sustained support for Baptist cause(s) even beyond lifetime.

Edwin S. Coates
Executive Secretary

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

"You wanted to kill people by the power of the gun: here is the Bible. Now go and face people with the power of the Word."

With these words, a prison guard in Kenya gave a convict a copy of the Bible which had been supplied by the Bible Society in Kenya. As a result of his reading it, the prisoner committed his life to Christ and is now beginning a new life with hope and faith.

Similar miraculous conversions are taking place daily all around the world and the American Bible Society is grateful for the support of the Southern Baptist Convention in helping win these people to the Lord. Through the ABS record numbers of Bibles have been distributed in 150 nations and territories. A total of 484,633,537 Bibles, Testaments, Portions and Selections have been distributed in 1982. ABS is now involved in translations in 574 different languages in the world.

In Nigeria with a population of 80 million people and 400 different languages—there are new translations. A new translation for the whole Bible is being prepared for the Igbo people, and the Isekiri New Testament, when completed, will be the first Testament in that language. Also a translation of the Bible into Edo is being drafted.

In Argentina pastors and volunteers from 36 local churches cooperated in "Bible Impact". This campaign succeeded in distributing large quantities of Scriptures to over 300,00 people. The Bible Society of Brazil provided over 6 million Scriptures for adult new readers. These scriptures were distributed through MOBRAL, the Brazilian Movement, which has during the last 11 years taught more than 13 million men and women to read.

The Philippine Bible Society has announced the publication of a new translation of the entire Bible in Hiligaynon and in Ilokano. In Bangladesh a recently published edition of the Bengali New Testament has proved to be exceedingly popular. In Maharashtra, India a new publication of the Marathi New Testament and Psalms is also being well received.

Over the past 10 years the churches and Bible Societies in Poland, Hungary, Romania, and the German Democratic Republic have been provided with nearly one million tons of Bible printing paper by the United Bible Societies. 22,000 cassettes of recorded Scriptures for Poland's 300,000 blind people were provided.

At home millions of men, women, and children received copies from the ABS. A total of 124,362,426 Bibles, Testaments, Portions and Selections were distributed. The 100 millionth complete Bible was distributed.

Scripture shortages are growing worldwide. The ABS is beginning the year with renewed determination to further increase its ministry both in the United States and throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Herman Bright, Representative

INFORMATION FOR PREPARATION OF CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT TO ASSOCIATIONS 1983

NEW COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

Wingate College and Wake Forest University have elected new presidents. Dr. Paul R. Corts took office on July 1, 1983. Dr. Thomas K. Hearn, Jr., assumes the presidency of Wake Forest on October 1, 1983.

Dr. Corts has been a college teacher and administrator in Kentucky and Oklahoma. A graduate of Georgetown College and Indiana University, he is an experienced leader and author in the fields of communications and fund raising.

Dr. Hearn, an ordained Baptist minister, is a graduate of Birmingham Southern College, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Vanderbilt University. He has served one pastorate in Indiana. He is an experienced college teacher and administrator in Virginia and Alabama.

Congratulations to Wingate and Wake Forest! These qualified leaders join Presidents Fred. B. Bentley, John E. Weems, Norman A. Wiggins, Bruce E. Whitaker and Craven E. Williams as leaders in Christian higher education for North Carolina Baptists.

SEEKING THE BAPTIST STUDENT

All of the seven North Carolina Baptist colleges want to serve more of the students from the churches. Pastors and lay leaders can help by recommending Baptist colleges to Baptist young people.

Information about the colleges may be obtained by writing or calling the Council on Christian Higher Education or the Offices of Admissions of the individual schools.

CALLING THE ROLL IN GRATITUDE

North Carolina has been a leader among Baptists in Christian higher education for 149 years. Moral and financial support from the churches has made possible the ministry of our colleges. The Cooperative Program continues to provide health for the colleges and opportunity for young people.

Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate are grateful to North Carolina Baptists. Please continue to favor us with your young people, your gifts and your prayers.

Council on Christian Higher Education
P.O. Box 26508
Raleigh, N.C. 27611
(919-467-5100)

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Representative

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT FOR 1983

It is exciting to see how our youth is on fire for the Lord! Their enthusiasm and witnessing power have blessed our churches.

The FOCUS Team from Gardner-Webb has been a part of some of our churches the past year. This team spent a week-end at Green River, Green Creek, and Cooper's Gap. Several members on one of the teams were members of Cooper's Gap Church.

Gardner-Webb has two seniors serving at present in our association. Miss Katherine Fagan, Music Director for Green River, is completing her years at Gardner-Webb and plans to go on to the Seminary. I feel fortunate to serve Pacolet Hills as pastor, and have hopes of going to the Seminary. One of our seniors last year, Robbie Vance, served as Polk Associational Music Director, and is now in Southwestern. Kevin Byers, another senior, is helping in his church.

One of our youth, Scott Jenkins, is doing a wonderful work for the Lord. Scott held an outstanding revival at Big Level in September, and he has also helped in some of our other churches.

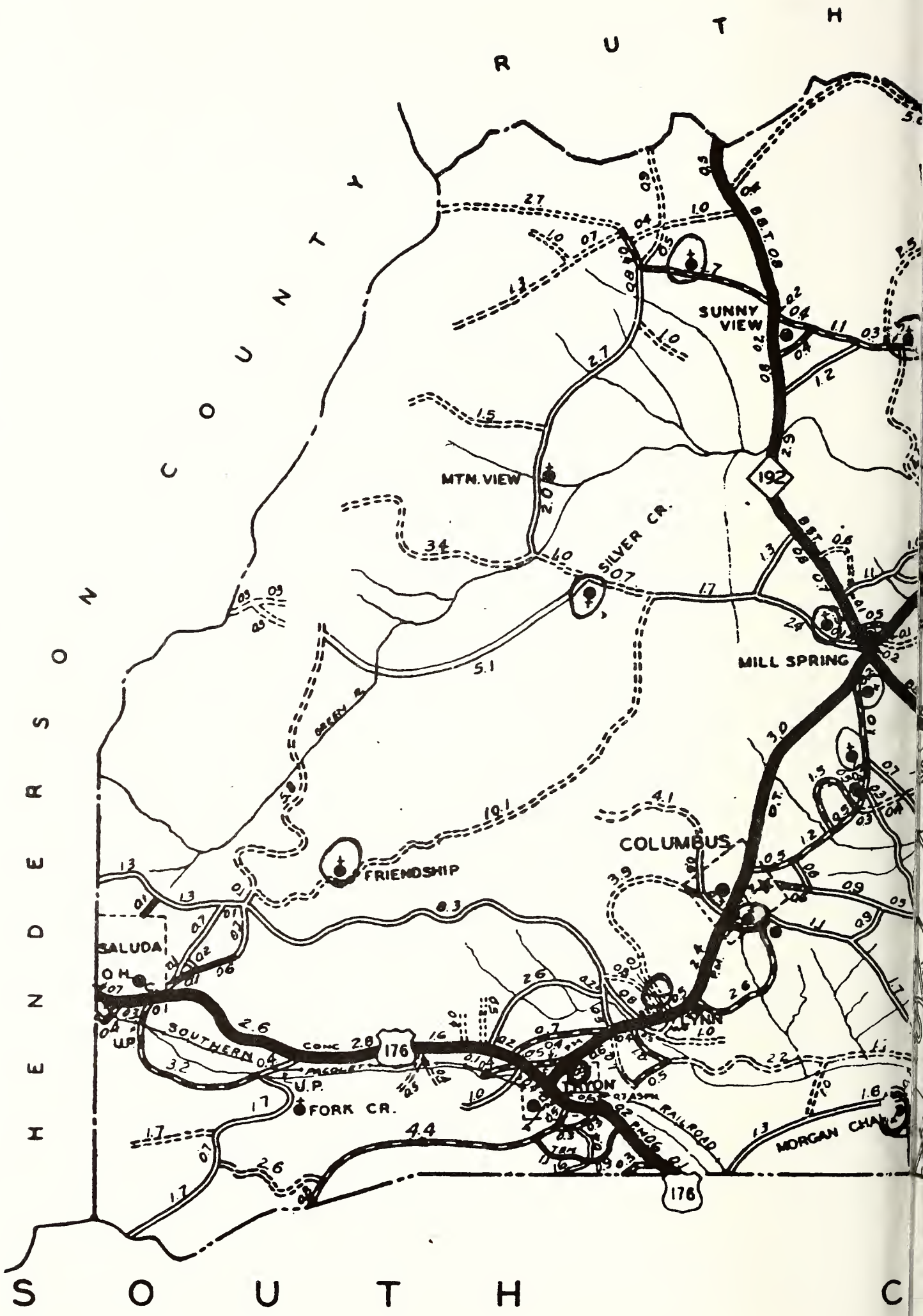
Great spiritual blessings were received by some of our youth during the summer. Hickory Grove Youth were inspired and radiant about their days at Carson-Newman. Cooper's Gap Youth had untold blessings at Caswell. I was privileged to share in a week-end retreat at Warrior Mountain with some fine young people.

One church, Cooper's Gap had a youth worker all summer. She was Miss Elizabeth Ann Mills of Meredith College. She did a fantastic work for ten weeks, and let me encourage any church that can to secure a youth for summer.

Polk Association had a wonderful Gardner-Webb Sunday last year with fourteen of our churches participating. The college is looking forward to another great day on November 6.

As a Representative for Student Union let me plead with you to pray for your youth and encourage them in the work for His glory.

Respectfully submitted,
Vince Hefner, Representative



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CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT 1983

Another year has gone by and we in Polk Association as well as Christians around the world find the Kingdom of God that much closer. Time is swiftly passing and the work is getting more urgent. The outreach of our churches is the responsibility of each individual and the training of each individual is the responsibility of our classes and organizations.

Our literature this year is offering additional helps thru the Adult Bible Study Quarterly. A special section, "Helps for Outreach and Witness", has been added. The pages are detachable and speak directly to people who do not know Christ as Saviour. It contains a special testimony and a specific lesson from God's Word and invites people to accept Jesus Christ as Lord.

The Training Union Literature will emphasize Dynamic Doctrines. How do we give account of the hope that is in us? We can learn what we believe, how to develop believers, and involve believers in worship. In other words this will help the saints to be equipped to live out their beliefs. All of this with the many other periodicals and magazines as well as our state paper are useful tools as we fulfill God's purpose for our churches.

I believe the writers of our literature are God chosen people, dedicated to providing the best in training material and I urge each church to take advantage of this literature to help your members be better equipped to face a world hungry for a gospel that will bring peace to hearts in the midst of the turmolt we find ourselves in at this time in history.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Ann Byrd, Representative

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS 1983

The Biblical Recorder

The Biblical Recorder is celebrating 150 years of service to North Carolina Baptists. Founded by Thomas Meredith while he was pastor of the Edenton Baptist Church, the Recorder is the fourth oldest among the 34 state Baptist papers in the Southern Baptist Convention, exceeded in age only by Georgia, Kentucky and Virginia papers.

The past twelve months have been a time of transition for the Recorder. R.G. Puckett became editor upon the retirement of Marse Grant in September, 1982. Lawrence E. High came as managing editor of the Recorder from the editorship of The Maryland Baptist. Puckett is the only man in Southern Baptist life to have served four different state Baptist papers. High and Puckett are the only team of editors who have both served as editors of other state papers before coming to North Carolina.

The cost of second-class postage threatened the very survival of the state Baptist papers in 1982, including the Recorder. However, with the faithful

support of subscribers, assistance from the state convention and tight management of finances, the paper is now stable and as secure as possible under present economic conditions. Future costs for second-class postage are unknown and greatly feared. Your prayerful concern at this point is earnestly requested.

The format of the paper was changed to tabloid from the magazine style which had served for approximately 40 of the 150 years of the Recorder. Economy of production and increased space by approximately 50 percent were the deciding factors. Those readers who preferred the magazine style have generally accepted the tabloid because of the money saved and the added amount of news coverage of North Carolina and Southern Baptists.

In March, the directors of the Recorder approved a plan to make circulation the highest priority in 1983. Churches are urged to put the paper in the budget so that every resident family receives a copy. Club plans are available for interested persons and key leadership in the church.

The editors and staff of the Recorder are grateful for the opportunity to have this ministry among North Carolina Baptists. We invite your news items, letters to the editor and items of general interest to all North Carolina Baptists. Most of all, the staff requests your prayer support and faithful reading of the Biblical Recorder, one of the largest and most influential Baptist papers in the history of Baptists in the United States.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd
Associational Representative

1983 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

We are grateful to our Lord for what your association has meant to the cause of social and civic righteousness in our state in the past 12 months. You have assisted the efforts of the League with appropriate action along with your prayer and financial support.

We wish to list just a few of the strategic issues where your voice was so influential.

I. SAFE ROADS ACT OF 1983

Due to the growing problem of the needless slaughter of innocent men, women, and children upon our highways due to drinking drivers, the League called upon Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., to name a Task Force to study this problem and seek constructive recommendations to be presented to the 1983 General Assembly. He complied with this request, and the recommendations of the Task Force were compiled into the Safe Roads Act of 1983. Even though the powerful beer-liquor-restaurant lobby along with other alcoholic retail groups were able to "water-down" some key provisions in this legislative packet, we at least have a measure that can be strengthened in the future to deal with the irresponsible drinking driver.

II. STATE LOTTERY

With the General Assembly seeking additional tax funds, it became apparent that an easy route for the politicians to take would be to put the state into the gambling business via a state-wide lottery.

The League organized the opposition to this issue. When the pro-lottery forces paraded representatives of the lottery industry extolling the "virtues" of such for North Carolina at a legislative public hearing, it was the Christian Action League that presented the adverse effects that a lottery would have upon our state.

It was through your letters, resolutions, and other contacts to your legislators that generated the opposition to the lottery and resulted in its defeat.

However, this is not a dead issue. Pro-lottery forces are seeking state tax funds for a Legislative Lottery Feasibility Study to prepare legislation for the 1984 mini-session of the General Assembly. May we not "grow weary in well-doing" or we will get stuck with a lottery as we did with liquor-by-the-drink.

III. REFERENDUMS

In the past 12 months, you made it possible for the League to assist 7 communities successfully in defeating various referendums. These were:

1. Archdale: Liquor-By-The-Drink, ABC Liquor Stores, and Off-Premise Beer and Wine sales
2. Newton: Liquor-By-The-Drink
3. West Jefferson: ABC Liquor Stores
4. Banner Elk: Liquor-By-The-Drink
5. Lenoir County: Liquor-By-The-Drink
6. Kings Mountain: ABC Liquor Stores and Off-Premise Sales of Beer and Wine
7. Elizabethtown: Liquor-By-The-Drink

Other referendums are pending.

CONCLUSION

Thank you again for making it possible for us to remain on the "firing line". May your churches continue to provide the prayer and financial support so that we might be an effective instrument for the cause of social and civic righteousness.

Tom M. Freeman, President
Coy C. Privette, Executive Director

We appreciate most sincerely the work of our Christian Action League. This work makes our communities a better place in which to live. Let us support this League with our prayers, our gifts, and in anyway that we can.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Benson Hodge, Representative

1982-83
REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMISSION TO THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Arthur L. Walker, Jr., Executive Director-Treasurer

The two-year emphasis (1982-84) of the Education Commission is on the recruitng of students. The decline of the number of college-age young people across the United States and the decline of financial aid available for educational purposes have made the recruiting emphasis a necessity.

The recruiting emphasis has also resulted in a greater concern on calling out the called. The cooperation of Baptist colleges and schools with other entities giving attention to vocational guidance is viewed as a part of the involvement of the educational institutions in Bold Mission Thrust. Special activities have been conducted which underscore the need of young people committed to missions and vocational service.

The Eduction Commission has continued giving attention to the uniqueness of Baptist colleges. This attention has resulted in an emphasis on trusteeship and the significant role of those individuals chosen to serve in the important role of setting policies and establishing administrative style for the institutions established and supported by the various state Baptist conventions. This emphasis has also focused attention on the unique role of Baptist colleges providing an environment where Christian commitments and life-style are reinforced.

Though the role of the Education Commission with the educational institutions is primarily consultative, there has been a special effort to offer encouragement in the establishment and promotion of the unique role of Baptist higher education.

Support—The 17 state conventions sponsoring schools and the Southern Baptist Convention increased their 1982 support to the schools by $7,662,729 for a total of $67,821,579. Of this amount, $590,903 was given as addition to endowment funds. Donations, gifts and grants totaling $86,893,530 showed an increase of $16,897,146. Endowment funds amounted to $595,089,849; property was valued at $1,114,131,048, making assets total $1,709,220,897. This was an increase of $146,529,988. Endowment increased by $44,413,995 and property value by $102,115,993.

Church Vocation Volunteers—Church vocation volunteers totaled 22,516 for 1982-83, for an increase of 558.

1981-82

	Pastoral Ministry Students	Educational Ministry Students	Music Ministry Students	Home and Foreign Mission Volunteers	Other Church Vocation Students	Total Church Vocation Students
Seminaries	7,450	2,825	862	1,777*	185	11,322
Senior Colleges	3,656	1,062	1,365	1,424	1,767	9,274
Junior Colleges	178	33	80	19	87	397
Bible Schools	543	104	105	10	29	791
Academies & Schools	146	7	12	1	8	174
TOTAL	11,973	4,031	2,424	1,454	2,076	21,958

1982-83

	Pastoral Ministry Students	Educational Ministry Students	Music Ministry Students	Home and Foreign Mission Volunteers	Other Church Vocation Students	Total Church Vocation Students
Seminaries	8,474	2,898	784	2,214*		12,156
Senior Colleges	3,516	893	1,295	1,204	2,064	8,972
Junior Colleges	161	25	65	35	97	383
Bible Schools	615	96	93	8	40	852
Academies & Schools	137	1	8	1	6	153
TOTAL	12,903	3,913	2,245	1,248	2,207	22,516

*Not included in total number of church volunteers

The Program of Christian Higher Education Leadership

The role of education in the mission enterprise has had a significant place in Southern Baptist life since the founding of the Convention. This emphasis through the years has brought continued cooperation between the educational institutions and the mission agencies of the Convention. The Education Commission and the Association of Southern Baptist colleges and Schools both attempt to contribute to this cooperation and the role of Baptist college and school campuses in the recruiting and training of mission volunteers.

The Education Commission continues to administer the Dorothea Van Deusen Opdyke Scholarship, the J.W. Farmer and the M. May Robertson scholarship/loan programs as assigned by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Dorothea Van Deusen Opdyke Scholarships are offered to individuals who have geographical backgrounds in the mountain areas of the nation. The Farmer and Robertson scholarship/loan programs are available to faculty members of Baptist schools who are attempting to update their degrees and/or educational experience.

During this past year studies have been conducted again on course offerings in the various colleges, the comparative percentage distribution of Cooperative Program funds to Baptist schools by the sponsoring state conventions, student enrollment, church vocation number at the Baptist colleges and the structure of the boards of trustees of the Baptist colleges.

The placement registry service for prospective Baptist faculty and staff at the Baptist institutions has continued to be a major concern of the Education Commission. The number of requests for information about prospective faculty members has continued to grow.

With the decreasing number of prospective students in the traditional age of college attendance, the recruiting activities sponsored by the education commission have become an enlarged concern. The Commission seeks to secure names of church-related volunteers, publishes materials pertaining to admissions and recruiting in *The Southern Baptist Educator* and endeavors to improve the channels of news and information about Christian higher education through the Baptist state papers and convention periodicals. Displays for use in the media centers at Ridgecrest and Glorieta and materials about Baptist schools for distribution to directors of associational missions and others who have contact with young people continue to be a major emphasis.

The planning and promotion of Baptist Seminary, College and School Day on February 20, 1983, carried out the function of the Education Commission in convention relations. Use of these materials and the number of churches participating in the special emphasis continued to increase.

The leadership of Southern Baptists in church-related and independent higher education concerns has continued throughout the year. Representatives of Baptist seminaries, universities and colleges continue to assume significant places of leadership in the cooperative effort to emphasize the role of denominational education. This leadership brought high visibility to the concern of the Southern Baptists to its mission concerns.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FOR POLK BAPTIST 1983

If one horse can pull a load, how much greater load could two or more horses pull? All of us will agree that a team can pull a greater load than one single one. So it is with the Cooperative Program. It is TEAMWORK and WORKING TOGETHER in order to tell the world about our blessed Lord. This is the greatest program that Southern Baptists have today, and it is working all over the world. This program carries out the Great Commission better than any other plan.

It is heart-breaking to hear that one of the first things that a church will do is to cut the Coopertive Program-when they are in a bind or in a building program. It grieves me because they will miss the blessings afforded by Our Lord for obedience to His command.

Polk did not meet the goal of $50,000 this year for the Cooperative Program. Some churches, however, have made outstanding progress, and these churches are growing. At our Associational Meeting 10 churches out of our 20 will receive recognition for doubling the gifts to the Cooperative Program in Phase 1 of Bold Mission Thrust. Some of these are small churches and their gifts had not been too difficult to double, but others are larger and they have doubled or tripled their gifts. Cooper's Gap leads in total gifts amounting to $8,376, and I am happy to report that my church, Big Level, still leads in the highest percentage to the Cooperative Program. We give 15% and we have grown more and been blessed in so many ways since doing this.

My sincere prayer is that your church will see the need of obedience to God and follow His command to "Go Into All The World" through the Cooperative efforts of all of Polk working together. I challenge you to set aside at least 10% of your budget next year for the Cooperative Program. Do this and just wait and see what happens for good in your church.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. George Lynch, Chairman
Stewardship Committee

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS REPORT—1983

North Carolina Baptists observed the week of September 11 thru 17 as a Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions. North Carolina Southern Baptists annually set aside a special week for heart-felt prayer emphasis, and to give thanks to Almighty God for all the wonderful ministries that enhance our people. Our Goal for North Carolina Missions for this year is $2,750,000. In 1981, the churches which compose the Polk Baptist Association gave $3,956. In 1982 our local association (composed of 20 churches) contributed $6,088. We thank God for the gracious increase.

Each year our North Carolina Missions Total Goal (which is $2,750,000 this year) is carefully broken down into percentages which go to the following agencies: State Missions Ministries, N.C. Baptist Men, Children's Homes, Baptist Hospitals, Baptist Homes for the Aging, Christian Education, W.M.U. (Heck Ramsey), etc.

Furthermore, Baptists of North Carolina, across the 500 plus miles of its length, from the mountains to the sea, there are 3,479 Baptist churches voluntarilly cooperating with the Baptist State Convention. There are about 1,200,000 members, or 20 percent of the state's total population. With its 100 counties, Southern Baptists work in North Carolina is divided into 80 Associations, with most Associations comprised of one county, but with others ranging up to 10 counties. One Association has 11 churches, another has 99 churches and 2 missions. From its organization in 1930 in Greenville, the Baptist State Convention has been involved in ministry and education. The institutions and programs cited below show the wide array of work Southern Baptists are doing:

Colleges and Universities, Baptist Hospital, Baptist Homes, Baptist Children's Homes, Baptist Student Centers, Camps, Assembly and Conference Center, Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, Biblical Recorder, Baptist Foundation, General Board Programs which promote all divisions of work listed below:

Pastor-Church Relations, Business Management, Christian Life and Public Affairs, Church Programs, Communications, Evangelism, Missions, Stewardship, Youth and Campus Ministries, Council on Higher Education, and The Council on Christian Social Services. Amen! To God Be The Glory! Great Things He Has Done!-and greater things still. He shall do greater things throughout this new year-and ONLY as we work and pull together in a cooperative effort, with God as our helper. An 'ole adage states: "No man is an Island". Even so-No Southern Baptist Church is an island. The New Testament Pattern explicitly states (implies) that we, as a local Polk Baptist Association (composed of 20 local bodies of Christ) shall stand or fall TOGETHER. So let's count our blessings from God . . . and reaffirm that: "No local church is an Island." Lastly, remember our theme: "Hope is Something You Give . . . When It Seems No One Cares."

Respectfully submitted,
John Rogers, Representative

HOME MISSION REPORT FOR 1983

The Home Mission Force includes 3,430 men and women serving as mission personnel in all 50 states. American Samoa, Puerto Rico, The American Virgin Islands, and Canada. The agency places an additional 40,226 voulunteers in areas of special service each year and endorses 1,568 chaplains in the military, in industries, hospitals, and institutions.

Home missions depend on the financial support of committed Southern Baptists, sacrificially giving through the Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions. As of December 31, 1982, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering amounted to $20,709,206, an increase of 11.7 percent over 1981. during its fiscal year, the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee allocated $17,634,029 through the Cooperative Program, an increase of 10.4 percent over 1981.

Polk Baptist Association is cooperating with our state convention in Raleigh, in helping with the work in West Virginia. The total amount of the Polk Baptist Association contributed to Home Missions last year was $12,860,00.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT FOR 1983

During 1982, the Southern Baptist missionaries overseas worked in 96 countries with 1.5 million Baptist members in 27,000 local churches or missions with 10,000 local pastors. In 1982, The Foreign Mission Board appointed 406 new missionaries, a 2.58 increase. However, in order to stay within reach of the Bold Mission Thrust goal of 5,000 missionaries overseas by A.D. 2000, a 3 percent annual personnel gain is necessary for the 1980's. As 1982 ended, 3217 Southern Baptist missionaries were serving in 96 countries. During the year they were aided by nearly 6,000 volunteers from local churches who went at their own expenses to help overseas. During 1982, Southern Baptists channeled $110.2 million through the Foreign Mission Board to enable people across the world to hear the gospel. Of this total 41.8 percent was given through the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Beyond this churches forwarded $5.9 million to the board for the human need ministries of disaster aid and the developmental projects focused on allevating the root cause of hunger.

The Foreign Mission Board's intentions through Bold Mission Thrust based upon Acts 1:8 during the years 1976-2000 are: (1) 100 percent increase in missionary staff; (2) Increase in lay movement (involvement); (3) Mission work in new countries; (4) Tenfold multiplication of churches; (5) Expanded efforts in evangelism; (6) Special efforts in evangelism for youth; (7) Greater efforts in leadership training; (8) Massive use of media; (9) Accentuated attention to human need; (10) World relief response.

The Polk Baptist Association contributed as led by God's spirit, the following amount to the Foreign Mission Board last year: $24,289.00.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Arledge, Representative

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

Sunday School is one of the most vital— if not the GREATEST link in growing a church! If your Sunday School enrollment and attendance is growing-then your church is alive and well. The Sunday School is the key to our evangelism, our mission program, and all the other facets of church outreach.

Southern Baptists realize the importance of Sunday School, and our Convention has made a goal of 8.5 by 85! This is part of our Bold Mission Thrust! If we are to reach this goal-8.5 million enrolled in Sunday School by 1985-then we must really get down to serious business in Sunday School.

Polk Association has been going down each year in Sunday School enrollment. How can this happen if population is growing and other phases of our churches are moving forward? We must need to take stock and see how many people we are leaving off our Sunday School rolls.

At Key Leadership Conference I stressed that even the tiny baby in the homes should be enrolled in Cradle Roll. A good list should be kept of all prospects, and when any visit the Sunday School - it is wise to enroll them, and make them part of your Sunday School.

In 1984 we want to have a Sunday School Enlargement Campaign, and my prayer is that each church will participate. There have been glowing reports of the results of such. One case of a church with 50 enrolled in Sunday School ended up with 125! Another church found over 1000 prospects!

Our state director of Sunday School is planning to come to Polk Association next spring for a workshop.

Friends, I plead with you to check your Sunday School Enrollment-and see if there are not numbers of children and adults who need to be added. Let them know that we really care, and make them a part of your church.

I hope that all of the churches are excited over "GREAT DAY IN THE MORNING!" I trust that goals have been set in each class and these are going to be met. On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 30th, please call in your results to me or the Association Office. The Director will be there in order to get this information.

Let's BUILD OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN 1984!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John Godfrey, Director

REPORT OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS IN 1983

Our enrollment this year was 1291. There were 22 Professions of faith, an increase of 12 over last year. The mission offerings for this year were $568.00 given through the Cooperative Program. There were two backyard Bible Clubs with 25 enrolled. Cooper's Gap Church conducted these. Five churches achieved the level of Advanced and seven the level of Merit. All 20 churches for the past four years have had Vacation Bible School.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lee Gregory
Associational VBS Director

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT FOR 1983

Church Training is a vital part of the complete ministry of our churches if we are going to have leaders in the future to bring honor and glory to Jesus Christ. We must train now for the future.

The Southern Baptist Literature for the Church Training Department is wonderful. There are great helps in all of our classes. Whether you start in an organized Bible study, including Baptist Doctrine, or one of the Survival Kits, I assure you of great success. Our church at Midway has been using one of the Survival Kits and we have been having great success.

Once you become involved in Church Training you will become excited. The study in "Developing Believers" in 1984-85 with a study of "Dynamic Doctrines" will be most informative and helpful to your church. So many of us do not know what Southern Baptists believe. Begin a study and find out.

"M" night at Midway was an exciting time with a packed house. Let's have another great night this year at Faith Temple! November 21st at 7 P.M. support our new Training Director, Rev. Bill Painter, and try to capture one of the banners. I hope to see you there.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Wesley Price
Church Training Director

BROTHERHOOD REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

1983 is the year our Polk Baptist Brotherhood has come alive! I praise the Lord for all of His manifold blessings. It has been a joy to work with the men in Polk Baptist Association. They are great and prove by their actions that they love the Lord.

Indeed it has been my special privilege to visit the churches, and we have organized four new Brotherhoods this year. Of course, my heart's desire is to see an active Brotherhood in each one of our 20 churches.

Seven of our churches have been involved in our new jail program, and to date there have been 20 men who have made professions of faith in Christ.

We sponsor weekly services at White Oak Terrace and Saluda Nursing Home. I am grateful for the wonderful support that you churches have given us in cooperating in this endeavor.

I have enjoyed three meetings at Camp Caraway, one at Ridgecrest, and the Baptist Men's State Convention.

Two trips have been made to Beckley, West Virginia. Nineteen men went on the first trip and tore down a building. Eight went on the second trip to put a roof on the mission.

Three men spent the day at Camp Bear Wallow helping get it in order. Also, one Saturday a group went to the Youth Shelter and renovated some rooms. Besides this most all of our men have daily work to attend, but there is always time at home to cut wood for a shut-in or do other tasks. The "Lord's Acre" furnished lots of good vegetables and much was sold for World Hunger.

The Brotherhood Workshop at Columbus was very good. Four out of town speakers were most informative. We enjoyed our Brotherhood breakfast at Pea Ridge Club house, and Rev. John McGee was an inspiration.

May God bless each church and each man and boy in the church, and my prayer will be that you become a part of our Brotherhood in 1984!

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Howard Phillips, Director

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

Praise the Lord and grateful thanks to our Director of Missions, Associational Age Level Directors, W.M.U. Directors, Leaders, and each member that has made our W.M.U. what it is today.

Midway Baptist Church and Pea Ridge Baptist Church have both organized this year. Other churches have grown in enlistment and in enlargement. Many have been blessed through mission action and in out reach in every church.

Attendance at the area work shops for the Associational Directors was excellent. Fifty-five attended our leader work shop. The Baptist Women's Associational Meeting was outstanding and a love offering was given for Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Another outstanding meeting was a visit to our Association by Miss Pat Ritchie, State Director of Mission Friends and Baptist Young Women. Miss Ritchie held a Mission Friends workshop at Pacolet Hills, visited Midway Mission Friends, and held a Baptist Young Women's workship at Columbus.

Our prayer retreat this year was led by Miss Martha Franks. The Foreign Mission Study was taught by students from Gardner-Webb College. Each church had its own Home Mission Study.

The World Day of Prayer was inspiring and motivating for all those who participated. Various programs were observed in our churches: Week of Prayer; Home and Foreign Missions; State Missions; Focus Week; Christmas in August; and World Hunger Day.

1983-84 W.M.U. EMPHASIS: PARTNERSHIP IN PRAYER AND MINISTRY

W.M.U. Watchword:

"Be persistent in PRAYER, and keep alert as you pray, giving thanks to God. Be wise in the way you act toward those who are not believers, making good use of every opportunity you have." Col. 4:2-5 (TEV)

WHAT CAN WE DO? HOW SHALL WE BEGIN THE NEW YEAR?
ON OUR KNEES!

We must persevere in prayer, "Be persistent in prayer." As we draw closer to the Lord through prayer, we will gain the strength, wisdom, and ability needed for ministry in our complex world. Our goal should always be toward reaching out and meeting the needs of those around us and in the surrounding areas.

In Christ's love,
and Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Roena Smothers, Director
Polk Baptist Association W.M.U.

MUSIC REPORT
FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

The Director of Polk Baptist Association for 1982-83 was Mr. Robbie Vance. Robbie was a senior at Gardner-Webb, and Director of Music at Hickory Grove Church. Robbie was most capable and the Associational Choir under his leadership gave some beautiful performances. The choir sang at the Associational Annual Meeting at Faith. Then it was faithful at the Associational Revival at Green Creek.

After graduation at Gardner-Webb Robbie was accepted at Southwestern, and he and his family left in August.

Since August I have been trying to "fill in the gap", and I will be Director of Polk Baptist Association for the coming year.

Already I have found a good spirit of cooperation and fellowship as I get the choir ready for the Associational Annual Meeting and our Associational Revival. We have had three rehearsals and hopefully you will be blessed tonight as I introduce myself to you and also the 1983-84 Associational Choir.

Music is a vital part of worship. Many souls have found Christ through His word in song. Our music should help our pastors and prepare the hearts of our waiting congregations for His message brought through His servants.

I trust that each one of our 20 churches has a good music program. Children love to sing, and my prayer is that you are training your children. We have some splendid Youth Choirs, and this is great. The Adult Choir enhances the worship service and is invaluable to worship.

It will be my privilege to help you in your church in anyway that I can. My schedule is full at Green Creek, but there may be some way I can help a choir director during the week. Please feel free to call me if necessary.

Let's keep a song in our heart always, and praise Him for His many blessings! I covet your prayers in the days ahead, and thank you for your wonderful spirit of cooperation that will build the best choir in the state.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. James Rogers, Choir Director

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

In Evangelism we experienced great things in the year, even though our total baptisms were down. Let us feel the challenge in our theme of reaching people and teaching believers. To fail to do this is to fail as the body of Christ. To have had a decline in baptisms, and an increase in county population means that we slipped in reaching our goal of 8.5 by 85.

Last year (1982) Rev. Kenneth Ridings came to lead us in our Associational Revival. It was held in Green Creek Church. We owe our grateful thanks to this church for their generous hospitality to our association.

In 1983 the Revival efforts are planned for October 23-26 at Mill Spring School. The time will be 7:30 P.M. nightly. Rev. John Revis of Easley, S.C. will be the guest evangelist. The music will be under the direction of Mr. Jim Rogers, Director of music at Green Creek Baptist Church and the Director of Music for Polk Baptist Association.

Pray that God will challenge and revive our hearts during these days.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John Edwards, Chairman

REPORT ON YOUTH EVANGELISM FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Polk Association did not have the plannd Youth Revival in 1983. However, several churches had days of revival for youth in their church.

Several churches went to the Youth Evangelism Meeting for our state in Asheville. They were blessed to hear our Southern Baptist Convention's president, Rev. Jimmy Draper.

It is thrilling to see some of our youth on fire for the Lord. This will be a wonderful way to start a flame that will spread throughout our churches.

REPORT OF RADIO AND TELEVISION MINISTRY 1983

In 1983 our radio station in Tryon canceled the morning devotions that we had been taping. This was unfortunate, but we could not help it. Many of you had spent time in going to the station and making these tapes, but they never were played. Let me thank you for the cooperation you gave in attempting to spread the word on radio. There were many favorable comments about some of your most helpful and inspiring messages.

Southern Baptists are fully aware of the great need to be on radio and television. under the leadership of Mr. Jimmy Allen, our director for our convention, many new things are being accomplished.

Baptist TelNet will be operated by the Sunday School Board. It will soon be programing on Missions, Stewardship, and other topics. Dr. Grady Cothen says: "I believe God has given us this opportunity to use the most advanced technology known to man to do His work of sharing the Gospel with all people in this world.

North Carolina Baptists communicate through our video-tapes. There are many available through the state office in Raleigh, and the equipment is waiting for you in the Associational Office. Just order your tape and come by the office and pick up your equipment needed to show it. May God continue to add His wonderful blessings upon our great Associational work in Polk County.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Terry E. Pleasant, Representative

REPORT ON THE MEDIA CENTER FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Media Center remains in the corner room at Mill Spring Associational Office. It is used some, but not enough. We have some good Modules that should be circulating in our Church Training Programs. We have been contemplating ordering more, but we want to know if you will use them first.

Our church at Mill Spring is in the process of organizing a library. It would be great if other churches would start one.

There are tapes available on our Home and Foreign Mission Studies.

Come by and check out the Video Equipment, movie projector, filmstrip projector, or a module.

Respectfully submitted,
Millie Simpson

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

"Nineteen hundred eighty-two has proven to be an epochal year for all of us at the Annuity Board. Even in the midst of varying interest rates, unemployment, recession and denominational unrest, the Annuity Board has continued to develop, market and service the retirement and insurance plans for the associations, churches and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention," said Annuity Board President Darold H. Morgan.

Key statistical highlights in 1982 included:

1. A 10 percent 13th Check was mailed to annuitants who retired before 1980. Those annuitants who retired in 1980-82 received their 13th Check bonus in their monthly checks.
2. A total of $30,663,412 was paid in retirement benefits.
3. Total assets administered by the board as of Dec. 31, 1982 $1,057,947,515 compared to $896,535,999 on Dec. 31, 1981.
4. Relief funds from the Cooperative Program totalled $455,009.
5. Membership records indicated that 18,111 persons were enrolled in Plan A, 65,855 in Plan B and 4,256 in Plan C.
6. Earnings on retirement and related funds for 1982 totaled $108,923,263. This compares to $46,068,904 for 1981 or an increase of $62,854,359.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS 1983

Retirement Plans	Member Accounts and Benefits
Plan A (church-agency)	16,383
Fixed Fund (church-agency)	52,952
Balanced Fund (church-agency)	8,365
Variable Fund (church-agency)	4,256
Benefits Paid (Retirement and Relief)	30,663,412
Relief Recipients	392

Insurance	Members
*Health Insurance	25,796
Group Life (church)	18,279
Group Life (agency)	18,102
**Life Benefit Plan	2,047
Seminarian Life	1,705
Seminarian Medical	4,513

*Includes churches and agencies
**Closed to new members

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Steve Hardin, Representative

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION 1983 ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT

The world is being changed by Christians who take their discipleship seriously and have a vision of what God can do in the struggle against evil and every form of human exploitation and abuse.

It is the task of the Christian Life Commission to assist churches and associations in applying the gospel to daily life. Seeking to cultivate Christian social concern and encourage Christian social action, the Commission helps Southern Baptists to work in such practical arenas as family life, race relations, citizenship, daily work, and special moral concerns.

Family disintegration, pornography, drunk driving, gambling, hunger, and injustice cannot and must not be accepted because they appear to be too big. An associational Christian Life Committee is an effective means for uniting Christian concerns and actions under the power of God's Spirit, to deal with such challenges and others like them.

As churches work for evangelism, missions, and religious education, so they are also mandated by our Lord to work against the immorality which threatens our communities, our nation, and the world. The Christian Life Commission provides literature, tapes, conferences, seminars, consultations, and organizational supports designed to help churches and associations apply Christian principles in daily life. Pornography, gambling, drunk driving, and racial discrimination have all been dealt with effectively as associational Christian Life Committees have provided leadership in creating awareness and then organizing for action.

During this past year the Christian Life Commission produced program activities, literature and support materials for special denominational calendar emphasis such as hunger, Christian citizenship, and race relations. Churches made wide use of materials in the hunger packet. this packet was produced in cooperation with the Sunday School Board, Brotherhood Commission, Woman's Missionary Union, Home Mission Board, and Foreign Mission Board. Deep concern is reflected in the giving for hunger relief. In 1982 the Foreign Mission Board received for world hunger abroad $5,283.59, while the Home Mission Board received $250,000.62 for world hunger at home.

LIGHT is a Christian ethics journal which is sent without charge upon request to interested Southern Baptists. During the year ten issues treated many topics ranging from "Missions and Ethics" to "Foundations for Christian Citizenship."

In the past year, the Christian Life Commission increased its efforts against the alarming alcohol problem. New and practical help is now available in a study guide entitled Alcohol Awareness: A Guide for Teenagers and Their Parents produced and distributed by the Christian Life Commission. The moral concerns agency sponsors an annual national seminar. This year's meeting dealt with "Discipleship and Ethics." Practical messages by outstanding church leaders were heard by more than 900 registrants. The 1984 seminar topic, in Washington, D.C., will deal with Christian citizenship. The Christian Life Commission presented Billy Graham with its distinquished

Service Award for his outstanding contributions in applied Christianity. Graham was commended for faithfulness in preaching and practicing the whole gospel particularly with regard to race relations, integrity in family life, and peace with justice.

The role of the Christian Life Commission is to enable, inform, equip, and challenge Southern Baptists in creating a moral climate in which our total witness for the Lord Jesus Christ can be most effective.

Foy Valentine, Executive Director

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1983

The Resoultions Committee presents the following resolutions:

1. Resolve that the churches in Polk Association express their appreciation to Green River Church for their warm hospitality.
2. Resolve that we thank Rev. Boyce Bradshaw for serving as our Moderator.
3. Resolve that we also thank the other churches that helped in making the evening meal a delightful occasion.
4. Resolve that the churches in Polk Association express their appreciation to Mrs. Roena Smothers for five years of faithful service as Associational Director of W.M.U.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jo Anne Moss, Chairman
Mrs. Ladd Edwards, Mrs. Larry Stott

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT

The Time, Place and Preacher Committee recommends that the Fifteenth Annual Meeting will convene as follows:

Place..... Columbus Baptist Church
Time ..... October 25, 1984
Preacher..... Rev. Wesley Price
Alternate..... Rev. Terry Pleasant

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Paul Whitesides, Chairman

REPORT OF THE GENERAL BOARD FOR 1983

The biggest event of the General Board in 1983 was the Dedication of the new Baptist Building in Cary, N.C. on January 26. The building has 53,000 square feet of space in it. The cost of one square foot averaged between $32.00 and $33.00. The land acreage is approximately five and one quarter acres. Crowds of Southern Baptists attended the dedication ceremony, and there was standing room only. I was happy to be a part of this event which made history for North Carolina Baptists.

Also, in the January meeting the General Board voted to go into partnership with the European Baptist Convention. Guidelines have been prepared for this partnership.

In May the Tojo Project was presented to the General Board. A full report was to come before the General Board in September. Foreign missionaries on furlough from Tojo were introduced and they spoke to us about the diversified needs in Tojo.

I regret that I was unable to attend the September meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw,
Member of N.C. General Board

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT FOR 1983

God has been good to us this year and many things have been accomplished. Of course, there are many areas in which we need to improve, but we will use our power of positive thinking and let you hear all of our great improvements. We are grateful to Mrs. Roena Smothers for her faithful service these past years in W.M.U. We have been growing steadily in this area, and new organizations have begun in all age levels. Thank you, Mrs. Roena Smothers. Mrs. Miriam Arledge is our new W.M.U. Director and we feel that this will continue to go forward in the days ahead.

Mr. Howard Phillips has been leading our Brotherhood, and under his leadership men in many of our churches have become involved in our West Virginia Project, the jail ministry in Columbus, the Nursing Home Ministry at White Oak Terrace, Tryon, and Saluda Nursing Home. Thank God for this good work.

The year 1982 ended the first five years of Bold Mission Thrust, Phase 1. Phase 1 involved four categories of achievement: Doubled baptisms; Doubled church giving; Doubled Mission Giving through the Cooperative Program; and Doubled gifts to the Association. How it thrilled my soul to see so many of you churches double in one or more catagories! We had only 18 churches when this Bold Mission Thrust began, and have added Pleasant Grove and Green Creek since. Out of the 18 churches 10 doubled in church gifts; 6 churches doubled in Baptisms; and 6 churches doubled in gifts to the Association. Two of our churches doubled in all four categories, and we are extremely proud of this. Our congratulations to Midway and Warrior Mountain for this achievement in Phase 1, Bold Mission Thrust. May these two churches challenge all of us to move forward in Bold Mission Thrust, Phase II. Certificates will be given to each church at our Annual Meeting for this good work.

In the coming year let's move forward in every phase of the Lord's work. Our organizations and leaders are the best, and let's encourage them with our prayers and actions. There are still over 4000 people in our county that are unchurched. Let's "Reach People and Develop Believers". May God help each one of our 20 churches to reach Bold Mission Thrust, Phase II.

Thank you for allowing Millie and me to be a part of your Association. We covet your prayers, and trust that in some way we can be helpful to each church.

In His service,
Marshall Simpson

MEMORIALS
FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

Many hearts have been saddened by the loss of a loved one during the past year. God has chosen some from our midst to add to His heavenly flower garden. Heaven grows sweeter, more beautiful, and more real as Our Heavenly Father plucks more blossoms for His garden. Perhaps some were young and tender, like a rosebud while others were older like a rose in full bloom. Regardless of the age God calls one home, He sustains those left behind with His guiding hand. He fills the emptiness in our life with the Holy Spirit. God seals the shattered life with His grace, and ties the ribbon of love around the broken heart. — Doris Bradshaw

BEULAH	Mrs. Lonie Story, Mr. John Morris, Mr. Hurshal Arledge, Miss Ella Chitwood
BIG LEVEL	Mr. Claude Gilbert, Mrs. Bernice Skipper, Mr. Johnny Hawkins, Mr. F.D. Shultz, Mrs. Zadie Dyer, Mrs. Lizzie Mae Sufford
COLUMBUS	Mr. Allan Ormand, Mr. Willie West, Mrs. Blanche Blanton, Mr. Jay Smith, Mrs. Maggie Guffey
COOPER'S GAP	Mr. Birch Corn, Deacon, Mrs. Pearl Melton, Mrs. Leona Spicer
FAITH	Mr. Lee Thompson, Deacon, Mr. Frank Walker, Deacon
FAITH TEMPLE	Mrs. Louise C. Brown
GREEN CREEK	Mr. Ralph Shields, Mrs. Vada Fagan, Mr. Grady Shields, Mr. Roger Ravan, Mr. Steve Callahan, Mrs. Carrie Johnson
GREEN RIVER	None
HICKORY GROVE	None
MIDWAY	Mr. John Ford, Mrs. Roy Jones
MILL SPRING	Mr. Amos Wilson, Mr. Yates Walker, Mr. Harley Foy
MORGAN CHAPEL	Mr. Sam Burrell, Mr. Wilber Burnes
PACOLET HILLS	None
PEA RIDGE	Mr. Oliver Taylor
PENIEL	Mrs. Anne Phillips, Mrs. Louise Foster, Mr. Paul McEntire
PLEASANT GROVE	None
SANDY SPRINGS	Mrs. Pearl Scoggins, Mr. A.B. Wilson
SILVER CREEK	Mr. Mickey Walker
TRYON SECOND	None
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	None

HISTORICAL EVENTS IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983

BEULAH	Paved parking lot
BIG LEVEL	
COLUMBUS	Grounds and landscaping improvement; New doors for entrance to vestibule and auditorium; lighting chandiliers in auditorium; and wrought ironwork at front of church. Pioneers and Acteens started.
COOPER'S GAP	
FAITH	Built a recreation shed; sponsored Elmer Painter and Charles Davis to Honduras; Elected James Jackson and Darrell Jackson as deacons.
FAITH TEMPLE	
GREEN CREEK	
GREEN RIVER	Paved parking lot; Painted and insulated the church.
HICKORY GROVE	
MIDWAY	Church has retired its debt from remodeling last year; ordained two deacons: Gene Dimsdale and Jack T. Mills; Church started jail ministry, nursing home ministry; Also W.M.U., R.A.'s, G.A.'s, Mission Friends, and Brotherhood Organizations started.
MILL SPRING	Ordained Rev. Vince Hefner
MORGAN CHAPEL	Called Rev. Steve Hardin as pastor
PACOLET HILLS	
PEA RIDGE	
PENIEL	
PLEASANT GROVE	
SANDY SPRINGS	
SILVER CREEK	
TRYON SECOND	
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983-84

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COLUMBUS

Mr. Eugene Morgan, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
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Rev. Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C.

COOPER'S GAP

Mr. Glenn Burgess, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Rev. Aaron Pruitt, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Rev. John Godfrey, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.

FAITH

Mrs. Judy Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Mrs. Pam Carswell, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Rev. John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring, N.C.

FAITH TEMPLE

Rev. Bill Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C.
Mrs. Bill Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C.

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GREEN RIVER

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HICKORY GROVE

Mr. Charles Pittman, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722
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Mr. John Gibbs, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C.
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Mr. Kenneth Edwards, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C.

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Rev. Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Rutherfordton

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SILVER CREEK

Mr. Boyce L. Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.

Mr. Loyd Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.

Rev. Lee Gregory, Rt. 2, Mill Spring N.C.

TRYON SECOND

None elected at present

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN

Mr. Donald Byrd, 505 Warrior Mountain Rd., Saluda, N.C. 28773

Rev. Herman Bright, Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970

MESSENGERS ELECTED FOR THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING FOR POLK 1983

BEULAH	Mrs. James Egerton, Mr. James Egerton, Mr. Hugh Champion
BIG LEVEL	Mr. and Mrs. General Haynes, Mr. Avery Hicks, Rev. and Mrs. G.W. Lynch
COLUMBUS	Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Morgan, Mrs. N.L. Masternick, Miss Opal Cloud; Alternates: Mr. Calvin Pace, Mrs. Patsy Williams
COOPER'S GAP	Mr. and Mrs. Howard Phillips, Mr. Henry Stepp, Mrs. Coleen Corn, Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Rev. Paul Stepp, Mrs. Shirley Gilbert, Mr. Calaway Dimsdale; Alternates: Mrs. Maude Gibbs, Mrs. Frances Ruff, and Mr. James Jackson
FAITH	Rev. and Mrs. John Rogers, Mrs. Pam Carswell, Mr. High Arledge
FAITH TEMPLE	Miss Pearl Gilbert, Mrs. Doris Blackwell, Mrs. Shirley Jones, Mr. Jeff Reid
GREEN CREEK	Mr. Earl Swain, Mr. E.J. Grigg, Mrs. Thelma Grigg, Mrs. Willene Shields, Mrs. Stella Hanson; Alternates: Mr. John Hanson, Mr. Troy Jackson
GREEN RIVER	Rev. and Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Harris, Mrs. Inez Shytle, Mr. Joe Miller, Mrs. Beryl Miller, Mr. Paul Lyles, Mrs. Mamie Lyles
HICKORY GROVE	Rev. and Mrs. John Edwards, Mr. Grady Grigg, Mrs. Tessie Stott, Mrs. Blanche Raburn, Mr. James Stott, Mrs. Peggy Stott, Mr. Wayne Denton, Mrs. Viginia Denton
MIDWAY	Rev. Wesley Price, Mr. John Gibbs
MILL SPRING	Mrs. Ruby Jackson, Mrs. W.O. Parker, Mrs. Gertie McKee
MORGAN CHAPEL	Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Holbert, Mrs. Rosetta Flynn, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fox, Mrs. Louise Page, Mrs. Genelle Hardin
PACOLET HILLS	Rev. Vince Hefner, Miss Sherry Mennix, Mrs. Elsie Chitwood, Mrs. Elsie Edwards

PEA RIDGE..... Rev. and Mrs. Terry Pleasant
PENIEL..... Rev. and Mrs. Mike Davis, Mrs. Shirley McEntire, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Durham, Mr. Jervey Durham
PLEASANT GROVE ..... Rev. and Mrs. Benson Hodge
SANDY SPRINGS..... Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Mary Edna Davidson
SILVER CREEK..... Mrs. Madge Russell, Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Mrs. Genelle Jackson, Mr. Edward H. Arledge
TRYON SECOND..... Mrs. Juanita Gosnell, Mrs. Launa Metcalf
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN ..... Rev. and Mrs. Herman Bright, Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd, Mrs. Mary Gravely

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FAITH TEMPLE— William Painter, Box 213, Columbus, NC 894-8881
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Churches	Total Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	Church Training Enrollment	Vacation Bible School	W.M.U.	Brotherhood	Cooperative Program	Baptisms	Association Mission Gifts	Total Mission Gifts	Total Receipts
Beulah	260	70	25	70	24	34	2269	5	1417	5657	32,272
Big Level	207	105	53	54	0	0	6000	11	2150	9915	35,469
Columbus	419	185	0	86	60	22	6119	6	2488	12998	139,687
Cooper's Gap	365	242	50	146	78	49	8376	18	3350	19134	94,274
Faith	184	121	66	98	31	19	2206	7	660	8578	41,624
Faith Temple	79	53	27	57	12	0	100	2	25	235	8,190
Green Creek	376	286	0	76	47	23	4700	5	300	8655	75,137
Green River	195	102	0	42	9	0	1100	0	600	6746	39,178
Hickory Grove	315	184	104	85	80	31	4031	6	2303	8881	67,534
Midway	171	98	55	68	39	27	663	7	832	4651	34,237
Mill Spring	276	107	37	63	21	22	796	12	516	2512	27,144
Morgan Chapel	215	72	29	42	25	17	957	0	300	2082	28,931
Pacolet Hills	96	67	34	30	21	4	400	2	323	2062	20,581
Pea Ridge	162	85	0	45	23	6	226	8	500	2316	32,709
Peniel	253	140	0	54	17	0	0	1	300	18991	46,290
Pleasant Grove	196	149	0	68	0	0	160	9	620	4807	23,969
Sandy Springs	290	113	36	52	0	0	3603	2	1450	8528	53,176
Silver Creek	287	125	42	94	30	26	1800	5	1800	6728	38,532
Tryon Second	115	78	0	30	7	0	1382	1	592	2629	20,729
Warrior Mt.	81	62	0	36	6	0	1000	0	500	2880	20,729
TOTAL	4538	2476	558	1291	530	280	45888	107	21026	138995	877,302

PEA RIDGE	Rev. and Mrs. Terry Pleasant
PENIEL	Rev. and Mrs. Mike Davis, Mrs. Shirley McEntire, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Durham, Mr. Jervey Durham
PLEASANT GROVE	Rev. and Mrs. Benson Hodge
SANDY SPRINGS	Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Mary Edna Davidson
SILVER CREEK	Mrs. Madge Russell, Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Mrs. Genelle Jackson, Mr. Edward H. Arledge
TRYON SECOND	Mrs. Juanita Gosnell, Mrs. Launa Metcalf
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN	Rev. and Mrs. Herman Bright, Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd, Mrs. Mary Gravely

PASTORS NOW SERVING IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BEULAH— Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1, Tryon, NC 28782 894-8688
BIG LEVEL— George Lynch, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC 28756 625-4607
COUMBUS— Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus, NC 28722 894-8588
COOPER'S GAP— John Godfrey, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, NC 28756 625-4676
FAITH— John Rogers, Box 6, Hwy. 9, Mill Spring, NC 894-8063
FAITH TEMPLE— William Painter, Box 213, Columbus, NC 894-8881
GREEN CREEK— Jack Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 1742, Columbus, NC 863-2487
GREEN RIVER— Boyce Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, NC 28139 863-4344
HICKORY GROVE— John Edwards, Rt. 2, Columbus, NC 863-2544
MIDWAY— Wesley Price, Rt. 1, Columbus, NC 894-3255
MILL SPRING— Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, NC 28756 894-8841
MORGAN CHAPEL— Steve Hardin, 105 Skyuka Circle
Landrum, SC 29356 457-2552
PACOLET HILLS— Vince Hefner, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC 28756 894-3896
PEA RIDGE— Terry Pleasant, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 894-8773
PENNIEL— Mike Davis, Rt. 1, Tryon 894-8494
PLEASANT GR.— Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Rutherfordton 286-9487
SANDY SPRINGS— Hartsell Grubbs, Rt. 1, Box 20, Rutherfordton 863-2190
SILVER CREEK— Lee Gregory, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 894-8598
TRYON SECOND— Larry Barnes, (Int.) 101 McDonald St., Tryon, NC
WARRIOR MT.— Herman Bright, Box 184, Zirconia, NC 23970 692-8082

Churches	Total Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	Church Training Enrollment	Vacation Bible School	W.M.U.	Brotherhood	Cooperative Program	Baptisms	Association Mission Gifts	Total Mission Gifts	Total Receipts
Beulah	260	70	25	70	24	34	2269	5	1417	5657	32,272
Big Level	207	105	53	54	0	0	6000	11	2150	9915	35,469
Columbus	419	185	0	86	60	22	6119	6	2488	12998	139,687
Cooper's Gap	365	242	50	146	78	49	8376	18	3350	19134	94,274
Faith	184	121	66	98	31	19	2206	7	660	8578	41,624
Faith Temple	79	53	27	57	12	0	100	2	25	235	8,190
Green Creek	376	286	0	76	47	23	4700	5	300	8655	75,137
Green River	195	102	0	42	9	0	1100	0	600	6746	39,178
Hickory Grove	315	184	104	85	80	31	4031	6	2303	8881	67,534
Midway	171	98	55	68	39	27	663	7	832	4651	34,237
Mill Spring	276	107	37	63	21	22	796	12	516	2512	27,144
Morgan Chapel	215	72	29	42	25	17	957	0	300	2082	28,931
Pacolet Hills	96	67	34	30	21	4	400	2	323	2062	20,581
Pea Ridge	162	85	0	45	23	6	226	8	500	2316	32,709
Peniel	253	140	0	54	17	0	0	1	300	18991	46,290
Pleasant Grove	196	149	0	68	0	0	160	9	620	4807	23,969
Sandy Springs	290	113	36	52	0	0	3603	2	1450	8528	53,176
Silver Creek	287	125	42	94	30	26	1800	5	1800	6728	38,532
Tryon Second	115	78	0	30	7	0	1382	1	592	2629	20,729
Warrior Mt.	81	62	0	36	6	0	1000	0	500	2880	20,729
TOTAL	4538	2476	558	1291	530	280	45888	107	21026	138995	877,302

STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Director of Associational Mission: Marshall R. Simpson

Address: Box 711 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

1—Open Country; 2—Village (under 500 pop.); 3—Town (500-2499); 4—Small City (2500-9999); Medium City (10,000-49,000): 5—Downtown, 6—Neighborhood, 7—Suburban; Large City (50,000 or more): 8—Downtown, 9—Neighborhood, 0—Suburban

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
			3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Beulah	Dillard Davidson,Route 2,Tryon,N.C. 28782	POLK	1886	1	v		5	1	5	129	131	260	0	0	60000	260,000	0
Big Level	George W.Lynch,Rt.1,Box 149,Mill Spring,28756	POLK	1881	1	v		11	0	9	159	48	207	0	0	34500	70,000	0
Columbus	Fred Rhodes,Box 485,Columbus,N.C. 28722	POLK	1857	2		v	6	2	20	292	127	419	4	2	60000	475,000	4114
Cooper's Gap	John Godfrey,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	POLK	1834	1	v		18	13	10	285	59	365	0	0	50000	300,000	0
Faith	John Rogers,Box 6,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	POLK	1967	1	v		7	4	5	153	31	184	1	1	65000	169,170	0
Faith Temple	William Painter,Box 213,Columbus,N.C. 28722	POLK	1970	1	v		2	0	1	56	23	79	0	0	0	40,000	22,000
Green Creek	Jack Weaver,Route 2,Box 1742,Columbus,N.C.	POLK	1800	1	v		5	5	11	295	81	376	0	3	67500	527,500	0
Green River	Boyce Bradshaw,Route 4,Rutherfordton,28139	POLK	1875			v	0	7	7	165	30	195	0	2	75000	400,000	0
Hickory Grove	John Edwards,Route 2, Columbus,N.C. 28722	POLK	1906	1	v		6	6	3	220	95	315	0	0	60000	400,000	0
Midway	Wesley Price,Route 1, Coulmbus,N.C. 28722	POLK	1940	1	v		7	8	6	125	46	171	1	0	55000	200,000	0
Mill Spring	Houston Moses,Box 36,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	POLK	1873	2	v		12	10	12	216	60	276	0	0	65000	250,000	0
Morgan Chapel	Steve Hardin,105 Skyuka Circle,Landrum,S.C.	POLK	1909	1	v		0	8	8	135	80	215	0	1	41000	200,000	2,442
Pacolet Hills	Vince Hefner,Box 378,Gardner-Webb College	POLK	1949	1	v		2	3	8	65	31	96	0	0	0	100,000	0
Pea Ridge	Terry Pleasant,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	POLK	1916	1	v		8	6	13	123	39	162	0	1	50000	130,000	0
Peniel	Mike Davis, Route 2,Box 42,Tryon,N.C. 28782	POLK	1920	1	v		1	7	37	240	13	253	0	0	40000	300,000	0
Pleasant Grove	Benson Hodge,147 Westview St.,Rutherfordton	POLK	1934	1	v		9	0	5	146	50	196	0	0	0	90,000	0
Sandy Springs	Hartsell Grubbs,Route 1,Box 20,Rutherfordton	POLK	1858	1	v		2	0	6	200	90	290	0	0	50000	647,000	0
Silver Creek	Lee Gregory,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	POLK	1840	1	v		5	8	2	200	87	287	0	0	30000	195,000	0
Tryon Second	Larry Barnes,Interim,101 McDonald St.Tryon	POLK	1924	3	v		1	4	9	53	62	115	0	0	45000	100,000	0
Warrior Mountain	Herman Bright,Route 1,Box 11,Zirconia,28790	POLK	1933	1	v		0	1	0	46	35	81	0	0	0	50,000	0
TOTALS							107	93	188	3303	1218	4542	6	10	848000	4,893,670	30,556

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TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Sunday School Director: Rev. John Godfrey

Address: Route 2 City: Mill Spring State: N.C. Zip: 28756

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment—Single (18-29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrolment—married (18-29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrolment	63 Homebound enrolment	64 General officers enrolment	65 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	66 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	67 Bible Study groups enrolment	68 Total enroled in Bible Study	69 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	70 Number ethnic Sunday School members	71 Church V B S enrolment	72 Mission V B S enrolment	73 Backyard Bible Club enrollment
Beulah	Mr.Gene Green,Box 777,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	8	13	6	7	8	18	10	0	0	0	0	70	0	70	60	0	70	0	0
Big Level	Mr.Bruce Odel,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	5	16	16	5	7	33	20	0	0	3	0	105	0	105	78	0	54	0	0
Columbus	Mr.Clint Blanton,114 Meadowlark Lane,Col.	0	12	33	48	6	0	41	37	0	4	5	0	185	0	185	110	0	66	0	0
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Glenn Burgess,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C.	19	18	49	25	17	28	49	33	0	0	4	0	242	0	242	160	0	106	0	40
Faith	Mr.William Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	14	23	7	7	19	22	26	0	0	3	0	121	0	121	58	0	98	0	0
Faith Temple	Mr.Jeff Reid,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	2	10	7	2	5	11	6	3	0	0	7	0	53	0	53	20	0	57	0	0
Green Creek	Mr.Huey Fagan,Route 2,Box 1648,Columbus	10	5	35	22	21	0	114	76	0	0	3	0	286	0	286	159	0	76	0	0
Green River	Mr.Buford Harris,Route 4,Rutherfordton	4	5	11	14	8	20	15	20	0	0	5	0	102	0	102	55	0	42	0	0
Hickory Grove	Mr.Ray Pack,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	10	17	26	21	9	25	46	20	0	0	10	0	184	0	184	157	0	85	0	0
Midway	Mr.Gene Dimsdale,Houston Road,Columbus	7	8	15	15	0	17	12	24	0	0	0	0	98	0	98	65	0	68	0	0
Mill Spring	Mr.Claudy Pack,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	4	4	18	17	0	19	24	21	0	0	3	0	107	0	107	54	0	63	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Mr.Joe Foster,190 Gunning Road,Tryon,N.C.	0	3	13	9	1	12	19	12	0	0	3	0	72	0	72	46	0	42	0	0
Pacolet Hills	Mr.Lewis Flynn,Route 2,Columbus,N.C.28722	0	7	10	5	5	18	8	8	2	2	2	0	67	0	67	48	0	30	0	0
Pea Ridge	Mr. Preston Bowyer,Route 1,Mill Spring	0	17	8	20	0	15	25	0	0	0	0	0	85	0	85	69	0	45	0	0
Peniel	Mr. Dean Horton, Route 1,Columbus,N.C.	0	16	19	10	11	14	40	27	0	0	3	0	140	0	140	74	0	54	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Jeff Smith,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	8	9	17	19	15	20	40	13	0	6	2	0	149	0	149	77	0	133	0	0
Sandy Springs	Mr. Clark Strickland,Route 1,Box 123,Ruth.	0	4	17	35	8	8	22	15	0	0	3	0	113	0	113	63	0	52	0	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. N.B.Arledge,Route 2,Box 94,Mill Sp.	7	13	20	17	1	25	17	23	0	0	3	0	125	0	125	79	0	94	0	0
Tryon Second	Mr.William Whitmire,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	6	5	8	8	2	13	18	0	8	11	0	78	0	78	30	0	30	0	0
Warrior Mount.	Mr. Gary Conner, 100 Earley Road,Saluda	0	7	6	13	3	7	3	2	1	0	0	20	62	0	62	38	0	36	0	0
TOTALS		71	188	361	329	137	276	567	408	3	20	70	20	2444	0	2444	1494	0	1361	0	40

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TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Church Training Director: Rev. Wesley Price

Address: Route 1 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	78 Equipping Centers enrolment	79 N C M T / Survival Kit enrolment	80 MasterLife enrolment	81 Other enrolment	82 Hold Fife enrolment	83 General officers enrolment	84 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	85 Total Church Training enrolment	86 Baptist Doctrine Study Y=Yes N=No
Beulah	Mr.Hoyt Champion,Route 2,Box 37,Tryon,N.C, 28782	1	2	8	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	25	
Big Level	Mr.Leonard Greene,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	6	8	11	25	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	53	
Columbus	None													
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Russell Randolph,Route 2,18 White Oak,Tryon,N.C.	2	3	6	27	0	10	0	0	0	2	0	50	
Faith	Mr.John Lynch, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	4	8	8	45	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	66	
Faith Temple	Mr.Roy Kuykendall,Route 2,Tryon,N.C. 28782	3	4	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	27	
Green Creek	None													
Green River	None													
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Elizabeth Burrell,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	15	12	27	40	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	104	
Midway	Rev. Wesley Price,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	8	7	5	35	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	55	
Mill Spring(F.)	Mr. Ted Pack,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	2	10	14	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	37	
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Bernice Holbert,Rutherford Rd. Landrum,S.C.	0	2	5	20	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	29	
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Dianne Bradley,Route 1,Landrum,S.C. 29356	2	5	5	12	0	0	0	8	0	2	0	34	
Pea Ridge	None													
Peniel	None													
Pleasant Grove	None													
Sandy Springs	Mr. Olean Lail ,Route 1,Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0	6	16	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	36	
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson,Route 2,Box 63,Mill Spring,N.C.	11	6	5	18	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	42	
Tryon Second	None													
Warrior Mountain	None													
TOTALS		52	70	107	275	0	50	0	8	0	36	0	558	

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TABLE D MUSIC MINISTRY YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Music Director: Mr. Robbie Vance

Address: Route 2 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	87 Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	88 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	89 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	90 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	91 Handbell ringers enrolment	92 Vocal ensembles enrolment	93 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	94 General music leaders enrolment	95 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	96 Total ongoing Church Music enrolment	97 Church Music Average Weekly Ongoing Attendance	98 Senior adult choir enrolment
Beulah	Mr.David Jackson,Route 2,Box 55,Tryon,N.C. 28782	8	6	10	20	0	1	0	3	0	45	45	0
Big Level	Mr.Dwight Lynch, Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Columbus	Mr.Joel Peterson,Route 2,Box 688,Mill Spring,N.C.	8	6	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	42	42	0
Cooper's Gap	Mr. Joe Whiteside,Route 1,Box 72,Rutherfordton,N.C.	8	6	20	28	0	0	0	9	0	71	65	0
Faith	Mrs. Judy Jackson,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	5	9	0	0	0	3	0	17		0
Faith Temple	Mrs. Jean Painter,Box 213,Columbus,N.C. 28722	2	2	2	9	0	0	0	3	0	18	13	9
Green Creek	Mr. James Rogers,Route 6,Blanton Acres,Spartanburg	10	8	11	30	0	4	2	5	0	70	40	30
Green River	Miss Katherine Fagan,Chesnee,S.C. 39392	0	1	3	20	0	0	0	3	5	32	10	0
Hickory Grove	None	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	30	25	0
Midway	Mrs. Patricia Case, Columbus,N.C. 28722	4	7	2	20	0	13	6	4	0	56	33	0
Mill Spring (F.)	Mrs. Carol McKee, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	6	8	14	0	0	0	4	0	32	25	10
Morgan Chapel	Mr.Dale Fox,Route 1,Box 35,Campobello,S.C. 29322	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	3	0	23	14	0
Pacolet Hills	Mr.Dennis Benton,Gardner-Webb College,Boiling Sp.,N.C	8	4	3	10	0	0	0	2	0	28	16	0
Pea Ridge	Mr. Earl Taylor,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	9	0	12	19	0	0	0	0	0	40	30	19
Peniel	Mr. Bob Holbert,Route 1,Box 110A, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	8	22	18	0	0	2	0	50	40	0
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Jerry Lawter,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	10	18	25	0	8	0	6	0	67	50	0
Sandy Springs	Mr. Scott Cudd,Route 1, Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	5	5	5	12	0	1	0	3	0	31	12	12
Silver Creek	Mrs. Grady Russell,Route 1,Box 165,Columbus,N.C.	0	0	10	20	0	0	0	4	0	34	25	0
Tryon Second	Mrs. Louise Cothran, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,505 Warrior Mt.Rd., Saluda,N.C.	0	2	3	6	0	0	0	2	0	13	6	0
TOTALS		48	63	118	339	18	27	8	56	5	682	491	59

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TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational WMU Director: Mrs. Roena Smothers

Address: Route 2 — City: Columbus — State: N.C. — Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	99 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	100 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	101 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	102 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	103 Baptist Women (30 and over)	104 Mission(s) of church	105 Total number of organizations	106 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	107 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	108 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	109 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	110 Baptist Women (30 and over)	111 WMU officers	112 Mission(s) of church	113 Total ongoing WMU enrolment
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
Beulah	Mrs. Doris Champion, Route 2, Box 40, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	0	4	4	4	12	2	0	24
Big Level	None															
Columbus	Mrs. Karon Wiggins, Box 543, Columbus, N.C. 28722	1	3	1	1	1	0	7	8	15	10	15	10	2	0	60
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Joyce Jackson, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	1	2	1	1	1	0	6	18	12	12	15	15	6	0	78
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	14	0	0	16	1	0	31
Faith Temple	Mrs. Eleanor Cantrell, 519 Scriven Road, Tryon, N.C.	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	2	0	12
Green Creek	Mrs. Dorothy Griffin, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	0	10	0	5	28	4	0	47
Green River	Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	9
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Marlene Fisher, 5 Oak Development, Landrum, S.C.	3	2	1	1	1	0	8	25	15	9	13	14	4	0	80
Midway	Mrs. Suzy Dimsdale, Houston Road, Columbus, N.C. 28722	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	9	6	0	3	13	8	0	39
Mill Spring (F.)	Mrs. Nancy Roberts, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	8	0	8	5	0	21
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Anna Campbell, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	7	0	0	12	6	0	25
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Phyliss Edwards, Lynn, N.C.	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	4	7	0	8	0	2	0	21
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Catherine Phillips, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C.	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	6	0	0	0	17	0	0	23
Peniel	Mrs. Gladys Durham, Route 1, Box 266, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	4	13	4	0	17
Pleasant Grove	None															
Sandy Springs	None															
Silver Creek	Mrs. Kenneth Williams, Route 2, Box 67, Mill Spring, N.C.	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	4	7	5	0	10	3	0	30
Tryon Second	None		1	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	7
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd, 505 Warrior Mt. Rd., Saluda, 28773	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	6
TOTALS		9	15	6	7	15	0	52	74	103	48	67	185	52	0	529

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TABLE F BROTHERHOOD — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Brotherhood Director: Mr. Howard Phillips

Address: Route 1,Box 500 — City: Lake Lure — State: N.C. — Zip: 28746

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	114 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	115 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	116 RA director and committee	117 Baptist Men enrolment-Basic	118 Baptist Men enrolment-Prayer	119 Baptist Men enrolment-Mission Action	120 Baptist Men enrolment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	121 Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	122 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	123 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Beulah	Mr.Gene Greene, Box 777, Columbus,N.C, 28722	8	4	2	18	0	0	0	2	0	34
Big Level	None										
Columbus	Dr.Frank Mangum,7 Hooper Road,Tryon,N.C. 28782	8	4	3	5	0	0	0	2	0	22
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Howard Phillips,Route 1,Lake Lure,N.C. 28746	6	10	0	32	0	0	0	1	0	49
Faith	Mr.James Jackson, Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	3	6	1	8	0	0	0	1	0	19
Faith Temple	None										
Green Creek	None										
Green River	None										
Hickory Grove	Mr. Craig McSwain, Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	7	5	2	15	1	0	0	1	0	31
Midway	Mr.Gene Dimsdale,Houston Road, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	6	1	19	0	0	0	1	0	27
Mill Spring (F.)	Mr.Larry Stribling,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	6	8	0	6	0	0	0	2	0	22
Morgan Chapel	Mr. Joe Foster,190 Gunning Road,Tryon,N.C. 28782	2	3	1	10	0	0	0	1	0	17
Pacolet Hills	None		3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Pea Ridge	Mr.Jack Taylor,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
Peniel	None										
Pleasant Grove	None										
Sandy Springs	None										
Silver Creek	Mr. Charles Jones,Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782	8	5	1	8	0	1	0	2	1	26
Tryon Second	None										
Warrior Mountain	None										
TOTALS		48	54	12	150	1	1	0	13	1	280

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TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING 9/30 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Treasurer: Mrs. Wilma Jolley

Address: Route 1 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of undesignated receipts	23 Associational missions goal as percent of undesignated receipts	124 Undesignated gifts, offerings, etc	125 Designated gifts, offerings, etc	126 Total tithes, all offerings and special gifts	127 All other receipts	128 Total Receipts	129 Money borrowed during the year	130 Church staff salaries	131 Money paid out on new construction during the year	132 Debt retirement during the year	133 Church literature	134 All other local expenditures	135 Total local expenditures
Beulah	Mr. Hoyt Champion, Route 2,Box 37,Tryon	27	8	5	28,364	3,545	31,910	363	32,272	0	6320	16512	0	1423	6791	31,046
Big Level	Mr. Floyd Dyer,Route 2, Mill Spring,N.C.	45	15	5	35,469	0	35,469	0	35,469	0	11400	0	0	1726	8623	21,909
Columbus	Mr. Hobert McEntyre,Route 1,Columbus,N.C.		12	2	70,044	19,612	89,655	50031	139,687	6000	38339	13473	7247	33252	24092	86,475
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Ailene Wilson,Route 2,Mill Spring	40	10	5	83,895	10,379	94,274	0	94,274	0	19267	0	0	2961	4884	27,115
Faith	Mrs. Judy Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring	46	5	4	23,742	17,882	41,624	0	41,624	1450	13336	4100	6297	1172	10824	35,747
Faith Temple	Mr.Arnold Odum,Route 1,Box 221,Mill Sp.	25	1	1	7,978	212	8,190	0	8,190	0	5605	0	4422	253	1761	7,619
Green Creek	Mr.Bill White,Route 2,Box 1740,Columbus	111	7	1½	68,037	6,600	74,637	500	75,137	0	28544	0	0	3200	8400	40,144
Green River	Mr. James Deck, Route 4,Ruthfordton,N.C.	25	4	2	30,380	9,798	39,178	0	39,178	0	20670	6800	0	889	5264	33,623
Hickory Grove	Mr.Otis Powell,Route 1,Landrum,S.C.29356	53	7	4	57,464	6,991	64,455	3079	67,534	0	29,624	0	0	3644	21985	55,253
Midway	Mr. John Gibbs,Blanton St.Columbus,N.C.	20	5	5	33,685	0	33,685	552	34,237	0	14,642	0	2067	1027	10562	28,299
Mill Spring F.	Mr.Henry Hunsinger,Route 1,Box 563,Mill s.	25	3	2	26,872	272	27,144	0	27,144	0	12,900	0	0	867	6626	19,993
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Rachel Dill,Route 3,Campobello,S.C.	25	2	1¼	24,015	4,605	28,620	311	28,931	0	8,116	0	5696	697	5219	19,728
Pacolet Hills	Mrs.Joyce Stott,Route 1,Box 283,Landrum	14	2	1	15,861	4,400	20,261	320	20,581	0	6,450	0	0	776	4002	11,228
Pea Ridge	Mr.Kenneth Edwards,Route 1,Mill Spring	15			29,171	2,269	31,440	1268	32,709	0	11,580	0	2642	997	5265	20,484
Peniel	Mr. Albert Durham,Route 2,Columbus,N.C.			1	32,433	13,858	46,290	0	46,290	0	15,775	0	0	991	8310	25,075
Pleasant Grove	Mr.Phillip Bailey,Route 5,Rutherfordton	18		3	23,969	0	23,969	0	23,969	0	7,378	1241	0	837	2905	12,361
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Edna McCraw,Route 1,Rutherfordton	30	10	4	39,166	14,010	53,176	0	53,176	0	17,545	0	0	850	13057	31,452
Silver Creek	Mrs.Loyd Jackson,Route 2,Box 90,Mill Sp.	35	5½	4½	34,329	4,203	38,532	0	38,532	0	18,564	0	0	2109	9998	30,671
Tryon Second	Mrs. Frances Phillips,209 Harrell Pl.Tryon	25	7	3	19,502	1,047	20,549	180	20,729	0	11,219	1062	0	647	4862	17,790
Warrior Mt.	Mrs.Shirley Anderson,Box 194,Saluda,N.C.	11	10	5	13,613	4,030	17,643	0	17,643	0	3,380	0	0	707	2154	6,241
TOTALS		590			697,988	122720	820,701	56604	877,305	7450	300,654	43188	28371	29098	165584	562,253

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TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES YEAR ENDING 9/30 (Month & Day) 1983

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Clerk: Mrs. William Painter

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	136 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: Money paid out on new construction during the year	137 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: All other church sponsored mission expenditures	138 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: Total church sponsored mission expenditures	139 Cooperative Program	140 OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES: Associational missions program	141 State missions	142 SB Home Missions (incl Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	143 SB Foreign Missions (incl Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	144 SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	145 SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	146 SB Hospitals	147 SB Homes for the aged	148 All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	149 Total other mission cause expenditures	150 Grand Total Mission expenditures
Beulah	Mr.Hoyt Champion,Route 2,Box 37,Tryon,N.C.				2269	1417	0	720	914	0	75	0	0	262	3388	5657
~~Big Level~~	Mrs. Emma Hicks,Route 1,Box 248,Mill Spring				6000	2150	0	1530	235	0	0	0	0	0	3915	9915
Columbus	Mrs. N.L.Masternick,Box 73,Columbus,N.C,				6118	2488	635	915	2024	0	0	0	436	380	6880	12998
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Pat McGuinn,Route 2,Box 634,Mill Spring				8376	3350	0	2569	4269	250	0	0	0	318	10758	19134
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Route 1, Columbus,N.C. 28722				2006	660	455	430	1656	0	0	0	0	3225	6372	8578
Faith Temple	Mrs. Doris Blackwell,Route 2,Box 18,Tryon,N.C,				100	25	0	10	0	0	100	0	0	0	135	235
Green Creek	Mrs. Margaret B.White,Route 2,Box 2540,Columbus				4700	300	281	545	2614	0	0	0	0	215	3955	8655
Green River	Mrs.Pauline Henson,Route 1,Box 216,Tryon				4700	600	172	80	600	0	0	0	0	0	2052	6746
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Doris Steadman,Route 2,Box 1481,Columbus				4032	2303	266	581	1500	0	0	0	0	200	4850	8881
Midway	Mrs. Patsy Mills,Box 393, Columbus,N.C.				663	832	0	49	410	0	148	0	0	2549	3988	4651
Mill Spring (F.)	Mrs. Hazel Huntsinger,Route 1,Box 1563,Mill Sp.				796	516	155	305	740	0	0	0	0	0	1716	2512
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Ann Fox,Route 1,Box 35,Campobello,S.C.				957	300	170	216	394	0	0	0	0	45	1125	2082
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott,Route 1,Box 283,Landrum				400	323	160	180	460	34	105	0	0	400	1662	2062
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Jeannette Rickman,Route 1,Mill Spring				226	500	0	294	496	0	400	400	0	0	2090	2316
Peniel	Mr. Bob Holbert,Route 1,Box 110A, Tryon,N.C.				0	300	0	0	4741	0	620	0	0	101	18992	18992
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Thelma Bailey,Route 1,Box 206,Mill Sp.				160	620	0	0	1371	0	1874	183	0	600	4647	4807
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Donnice T.Grigg,Route 1,Box 242,Chesnee				3603	1450	103	625	1152	0	0	0	0	1605	4935	8538
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson,Route 2,Box 63,Mill Spring				1800	1800	725	823	1280	0	0	0	0	300	4928	6728
Tryon Second	Miss Jeannie Burrell, Box 814, Tryon,N.C.				1382	592	0	0	110	0	0	0	0	545	1247	2629
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,505 Warrior Mt.Rd.Saluda				1000	500	360	310	350	0	0	0	0	360	1880	2880
					$45888	$21026	$3481	10182	25316	284	3322	583	436	11195	89512	138996

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TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1983 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Moderator: Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

Address: Route 4 City: Rutherfordton State: N.C. Zip: 28139

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	29 No. church-type missions started during the year	30 No. church-type missions currently operating	31 No. other-type missions started during the year	32 No. other-type missions currently operating	33 No. New Sunday School Members	34 No. persons completing witness training	35 ($) Annie Armstrong Offering	36 Number church vocations volunteers	37 N=none TV=TV R=radio B=both	38 Number of families signing Bible Study Commitment Cards	39 Number S.S. Members not church members	40 No. of college students baptized	41 G=growing S=stable D=declining	42 Weekday senior adult program	43 Equipping Center modules	44 Scholarship program for students	45 Christian life committee	46 LRW or MEW	47 Pastor employed elsewhere	48 Begin visitation program	49 Religious Liberty Sunday	50 Baptist Men's Day	51 Annuity Board protection	52 B.M.T. prayer activities	53 State paper in budget
															Does church have observe plan use etc.? Y=Yes N=No											
Beulah	Mr. Hugh Champion, Route 2, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0	0	0	0	3	0	720	0	N	0	4	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Big Level	Mr. Leonard Green, Route 1, Box 67, Mill Spring, N.C.	0	0	0	0	1	0	50	0	N	0	1	0	S	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Columbus	Mr. Barry Miller, Thorne Ave., Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	916	0	N	0	5	0	G	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
Cooper's Gap	Mr. Lyles Whiteside, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	10	0	2569	0	N	0	0	2	G	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
Faith	Mr. Jack L. Jolley, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	8	0	430	0	N	0	4	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y
Faith Temple	Mr. Robert Painter, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	3	0	G	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
Green Creek (F.)	Mr. Vailon Shytle, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	12	0	686	0	N	0	0	0	S	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Green River	Mr. Buford Harris, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	15	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
Hickory Grove	Mr. Craig McSwain, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	10	15	581	0	N	0	0	0	S	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y
Midway	Mr. John Gibbs, Blanton Street, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	21	20	49	0	N	0	2	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N
Mill Spring (F.)	Mr. Claudy Pack, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	15	0	305	0	N	0	4	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
Morgan Chapel	Mr. J.M. Brown, Route 3, Box 96, Landrum, S.C. 29356	0	0	0	0	7	0	216	1	N	0	2	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Pacolet Hills	Mr. Clifford Stott, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	12	0	180	0	N	0	8	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Pea Ridge	Mr. Frank Price, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0	0	0	0	294	0	N	0	0	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Peniel	Mr. Ronnie Champion, Box 101, Bill Holbert Rd. Tryon	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	N	0	9	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Alvin Bailey, Route 1, Box 206, Mill Spring, N.C.	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	N	0	0	0	S	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
Sandy Springs	Mr. Jim Scruggs, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0	0	0	0	625	0	N	0	8	0	S	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Silver Creek	Mr. Boyce L. Jackson, Route 2, Box 63, Mill Spring, N.C.	0	0	0	0	13	0	823	0	N	0	0	0	G	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tryon Second	Mr. Roy Burrell, Box 814, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	N	0	3	0	S	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Warrior Mount.	Mr. Donald Byrd, 505 Warrior Mt. Rd. Saluda, N.C. 28773	0	0	0	0	2	7	310	0	N	0	10	0	G	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
TOTALS						137	42	8754	1			78	2													

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OF

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Meeting With

COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH

October 25, 1984

Boyce Bradshaw, *Moderator*

Jean Painter, *Clerk*

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PROGRAM FOR THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION AT COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Theme: *"Reaching People and Developing Believers"*

2:00 Call to Worship ..... Mr. James Rogers, Music Dir.
Scripture and Prayer ..... Mr. A. E. Morgan
Welcome-Host Pastor ..... Rev. Fred Rhodes
2:15 Declaration of 15th Annual Program Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Moderator
Adoption of Program ..... Rev. John Godfrey
Presentation of Book of Reports
Introduction of New Personnel ..... Rev. M. R. Simpson
Moderator's Message-CHALLENGE ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
2:30 Business Session ..... Moderator
Associational Budget ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley, Treasurer
Annuity ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
Guest: Rev. Hugh Borders,
Director of Missions, Mitchell
Baptist Children's Homes
and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Guest: Rev. Luther Osment
Baptist Home For The Aging ..... Mr. Eugene Morgan
Guest: Rev. Hugh Starnes
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Guest: Rev. Calvin Knight
Baptist Foundation ..... Mr. Jack Jolley
3:00 Adoption of Reports
Hymn ..... Mr. James Rogers
Special Music
3:15 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Wesley Price
3:45 Break (10 Minutes)
3:55 Hymn ..... Mr. James Rogers
4:00 American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Christian Education ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Baptist Student Union ..... Mr. Dennis Benton
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Donald Byrd
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Benson Hodge
4:20 Missions
Christian Stewardship ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions ..... Rev. John Rogers
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
4:45 Reports of Organizations
Sunday School ..... Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
Church Training ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Brotherhood ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
W.M.U. ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Music ..... Mr. James Rogers
V.B.S. ..... Mrs. Dorothy Rogers

5:00 Executive Committee Report ..... Mrs. Bill Painter
Finance Report ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Committee on Committees Report ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
5:15 Nominating Committee ..... Rev. Dillard Davidson
5:20 Historian ..... Mrs. Pauline Bell
5:25 Hymn ..... Mr. James Rogers
5:30 Time, Preacher, Place Report ..... Mr. Paul Whiteside
5:35 Evangelism ..... Rev. John Edwards
5:45 Memorials ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
6:00 Break for Evening Meal

EVENING SESSION FOR THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

7:00 Hymn ..... Mr. James Rogers
7:05 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. David Peterson
Special Music
7:20 Business (Additional and Unfin.)
Radio and Television Min. ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant
General Board Repres. ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Director of Missions Rep. ..... Rev. Marshall Simpson
Pastoral Ministries Rep. ..... Rev. Lee Gregory
Assoc. Office Building Rep. ..... Rev. John Godfrey
8:00 Resolutions ..... Mrs. Jo Anne Moss
Adoption of Reports and Program
8:05 Polk Baptist Associational Choir ..... Mr. James Rogers
8:30 Mission Message
A MESSAGE OF CHALLENGE FOR
POLK BAPTISTS! ..... Rev. Keith Lancaster,
Missionary to Guadeloupe
Benediction and Prayer of Dedication for New Officers for 1984-85

May the Lord bless each one of you who found your way to the Fifteenth Annual Meeting at Columbus Baptist Church. We trust that you will return to your churches informed, inspired, and challenged to make the coming year the greatest in the history of Polk Baptists! We pray that each of our twenty churches will be guided by His leadership to press forward to higher and nobler goals.

Our Sixteenth Annual Meeting for Polk Baptist Association will be held at Midway Baptist Church on Thursday, October 24, 1985.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The fifteenth annual session of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Columbus Baptist Church on October 25, 1984 at 2:00 P.M.

Our theme for this year is "Reaching People and Developing Believers."

Our call to worship was the hymn, "Blessed Assurance" led by James Rogers, our Associational Music Director. Mr. A. E. Morgan presented our scripture and prayer. He used I Corinthians 3:1.

Rev. Fred Rhodes, the host pastor, welcomed us graciously.

The declaration of the fifteenth annual program was declared by the Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, after which he appointed Rev. Hartsell Grubbs as Parlimentarian.

There was a motion made by Rev. Lee Gregory for the adoption of the program with changes. The Book of Reports was presented by Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions.

Rev. David Peterson, pastor of Tryon Second Church was introduced and welcomed with a handshake by Rev. John Edwards. The following visitors were welcomed: Rev. Hugh Borders, Rev. Luther Osment, Dr. Calvin Knight, and Rev. Hugh Starnes.

Rev. Bradshaw brought the following items from the Digest of Church Letters to our attention: Our Sunday School, Baptisms, and Total Mission Gifts had dropped by a high margin from last year. He also urged us to register people for the Lord, and have love for the ones who need it. He insisted that we must be on the campaign trail for Christ.

The following business was transacted: Rev. Hartsell Grubbs was recognized and brought the following waiver to the constitution. He made a motion that our Moderator be allowed to serve another term since he is well versed in all matter pertaining to the association. The motion was carried unanimously. The clerk was called to moderate this part of the session.

The Associational Budget was presented by Mrs. Jack Jolley who also moved for its adoption. There was a second to this motion.

Rev. Steve Hardin was called to give the Annuity Report. He recognized Rev. Hugh Borders of the Mitchell Association who spoke about this report. He urged all the churches to take care of their ministers by enrolling them in the Annuity Program and in other ways. We need 20 out of 20 churches participating in the plan to have 100% and for a longer period of time.

Mr. Leroy McCraw moved for the adoption of the Baptist Children's Home Report and the Thermal Youth Shelter's Report. Then he introduced Rev. Luther Osment who spoke about this report. He told us that 81% of the children have both parents living but still did not have a home. He challenged our hearts to show our love to the children in the Baptist Children's Homes who have been abused and uprooted many times in their short lives.

Mr. Eugene Morgan introduced Rev. Hugh Starnes and moved for the adoption of his report on the aging. Rev. Starnes reported that our homes for the elder citizens are in a process of change. The new name is Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina. These homes are looking for a new leader-a man that can dream dreams and see them come to life. We have five homes across the state but this is not sufficient for our needs today. Christian commitment sets this ministry apart.

Rev. Bill Painter recognized Dr. Calvin Knight of the Baptist Hospital who spoke on this report. He told us about all the good things that are happening at the Baptist Hospital through our gifts. He challenged us to continue our giving so that they may continue to share this help to those who need it.

The Baptist Foundation report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley.

There was a motion to adopt the reports with a second. The vote was by saying "aye."

Mr. Rogers then came to lead us in the singing of the hymn, "To God Be The Glory." He then blessed our hearts with the special music, "My Father Knows." Rev. Wesley Price, pastor of Midway Baptist Church brought the annual sermon. He spoke on the topic, "Study God's Word." His message was taken from II Timothy 2:15, and I Timothy 4:16. He asked, "How much are you studying God's Word?" He asked us to take God's Word for direction for our lives, that God speaks to his people through His word.

Following a ten minute break we were called in session by singing, "The Solid Rock," led by Mr. James Rogers.

The American Bible Society report by Rev. Herman Bright, the Christian Education report by Mrs. Helen Godfrey, The Baptist Student Union Report by Mr. Dennis Benton, the Christian Literature report by Mrs. Donald Byrd, and the Christian Action League report by Rev. Benson Hodge were adopted as printed. Mrs. Byrd announced the Memory Loss in Later Life Meeting to be held at the 4-H Center in Columbus on October 29th at 3:00 P.M.

The following Mission Reports were adopted as printed: Christian Stewardship by Rev. George Lynch, the N. C. Missions Report by Rev. John Rogers and the Home and Foreign Missions Report by Mrs. Judy Arledge. Rev. M .R. Simpson announced that the Association Office has a video tape, "Like a Mighty River" and invited each pastor to show it in his church.

The Sunday School Report was given by Rev. Hartsell Grubbs. His plans are to have training sessions this year. He stressed the fact that Mission is Sunday School and Sunday School is Mission. In the Church Training Report by Rev. Bill Painter he announced that "M" Night will be Tuesday night, Nov. 6, at 7:00 P.M. at Hickory Grove Baptist Church with Mrs. Ara Baker, guest speaker. The W.M.U. Report by Mrs. Miriam Arledge was presented and she announced the World Day of Prayer, November 5th at Midway Baptist Church. The V.B.S. Report by Mrs. Dorothy Rogers was given. All were approved as printed.

The Executive Committee Report by Mrs. Bill Painter, the Finance Report by Mrs. Jack Jolley, The Committee on Committees Report by Rev. Steve Hardin, the Nominating Committee Report by Rev. Dillard Davidson, and the Historian Report by Mrs. Pauline Bell were all adopted as printed. Mrs. Millie Simpson reminded us of Great Day in the Morning. We are to call our Sunday School attendance on October 28th to Rev. Hartsell Grubbs between 2:00 and 4:00 P.M.

Mr. James Rogers led in singing, "When the Roll is Called up Yonder." The Time, Preacher, Place Report by Mr. Paul Whiteside was adopted. Time-October 24, 1985; Preacher-Rev. Terry Pleasant; Altenate, Rev. John Godfrey; Place-Midway Baptist Church.

The Evangelism Report by Rev. John Edwards was adopted as printed. The Radio and T.V. Ministry Report by Rev. Terry Pleasant, and the General Board Report by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw were adopted as printed. Rev. Bradshaw expressed appreciation for his chance to serve on the General Board and urged all to attend the State Convention in Asheville on November 12, 13,

and 14 and the messengers to vote for Dr. Roy J. Smith as General Secretary and Treasurer.

The Director of Missions Report by Rev. M. R. Simpson was adopted as printed. He wanted us to notice in how many areas we needed to do more. In the past six years we have made some improvements, but have not done all we could do. The W.M.U. has made progress, but still some churches are without W.M.U. The Sunday School is a burden on his heart. He challenged the pastors and Sunday School Directors to get their Sunday Schools in line.

The Pastoral Ministry Report by Rev. Lee Gregory was adopted as printed. The Memorial Report was given by Mrs. Helen Godfrey. Mr. James Rogers sang "When I Come to the End of the Road." Mrs. Melba Gregory led in prayer remembering all of our deceased members. Mr. James Rogers led inthe singing of "Redeemed."

Rev. Hartsell Grubbs announced that on Sunday, October 28th, Mr. Don Stanley will speak at Sandy Springs Baptist Church at the morning worship service. Rev. Steve Hardin led in prayer of dismissal and a blessing for the meal. We adjourned for the evening meal.

PROCEEDINGS OF EVENING SESSION FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The evening session convened with Mr. James Rogers leading in singing, "We're Marching to Zion." The scripture and prayer were given by Rev. David Peterson, pastor of Tryon Second Baptist Church. Rev. Peterson used Psalm 145, and he stressed our praising God. Mr. James Rogers sang "You Can Have a Song in Your Heart" and "Building on the Rock." Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Moderator, thanked Mrs. Russell Randolph, pianist, the Columbus Church, and all who made the meeting a success. He appointed Rev. David Peterson and Mr. John Hanson to the Committee on Committees.

Rev. John Godfrey, Association Building Chairman, gave a report on the amount of work done on the building and the amount spent. People in the churches will be needed to help with work on this project. Plans are being made to brick the building and install windows. He thanked all who have contributed in any way.

The Resolution Report by Mrs. JoAnne Moss was adopted. Mr. James Rogers led in singing "To God Be the Glory," "Send the Light," and Rev. Terry Pleasant led "Love Lifted Me." The adoption of the reports and program were moved by Rev. Hartsell Grubbs, and seconded by Rev. Terry Pleasant. The vote was made by "I" with no opposition.

There was a time of worship through the special music of the Associational Choir led by Mr. James Rogers. Mrs. Marlene Fisher was pianist. Rev. M. R. Simpson introduced the speaker for the Mission Message, Rev. Keith Lancaster, Missionary to Guadeloupe. He thanked us for our support through the Cooperative Program which enables the missionaries to do the work, also for allowing him and his wife to be missionaries. He showed slides of his work and stressed that the job of every Christian is to witness first to the people we know. Bold Mission Thrust was emphasized. He told us the greatest need for Foreign Missionaries is PRAYER, SPECIFIC PRAYER. He had two main points. 1. That we serve a powerful God, step out on faith and depend on Him; we can do mighty things. 2. We need to be totally committed, have a good foundation and stand on it. This was a most challenging message.

The Benediction and Prayer of Dedication for New Officers for 1984-85 was led by Rev. John Godfrey. Thus ended the fifteenth Annual Meeting of Polk Baptist Association.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches. The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical enformation as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational

meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V — ORGANIZATION

SECTION I. The officers of the assocation shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptists Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nomination committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI — COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose of this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of $1.50 each.

SECTION II. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.

2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.

3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.

4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs for the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along

with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to reccomend what action should be taken.

2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Artile I — RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article II — PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III — CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Director of Missions:

PART 1. Duties: The Director of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duty will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with

the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsiblity for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Director of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Director of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Director of Missions is permitted to conduct two one week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as he is physically possible. The services of the Director of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Director of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Director of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Director shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Director of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - SECTION II: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, more than 150 - 20 copies.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XV: Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVII (Committees): Recreation Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVIII (Committees): Youth Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE V - SECTION III: That the Associational Senior Co-ordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "a" before the "Music Director;" adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Co-ordinator."

ARTICLE V - SECTION IV: That the official title, "Superintendent of Missions" be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title "Director of Missions."

ARTICLE IV - SECTION II: (Reception of Churches) - Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from "The churches so received to "A newly established Southern Baptist church or churches so received" - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: "And older - established Southern Baptist Church or churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watchcare of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present."

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XIX: The following committees are to serve on a rotation basis: Audio-Visual Aids, Committee on Committees, Constitutional Changes Committee, Evangelism Committee, Memorials Committee, Nominating Committee, Ordination Committee, Place and Preacher Committee, Reception and Location of Churches Committee, Resolutions Committee, Recreation Committee, and Youth Committee. If the Committee is composed of three members one member shall rotate annually. If the committee is composed of six members two members shall rotate annually.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the Association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy. Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies - 150 or less - 15 copies - More than 150 - 20 copies.

PART 6. Our Association shall be grouped into four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches shall join the association equal distribution shall be made.

Group 1 - Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Pleasant Grove, and Faith Temple.

Group 2 - Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, and Beulah.

Group 3 - Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, and Green Creek.

Group 4 - Columbus, Peniel, Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain.

Each group will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1984-85

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. Lee Gregory
Clerk ..... Mrs. William Painter
Treasurer ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Historian ..... Mrs. Pauline Bell
Parliamentarian ..... Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
Pastoral Ministry Leader ..... Rev. Lee Gregory
Director of Missions ..... Rev. Marshall Simpson

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

Sunday School* ..... Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
Church Training* ..... Rev. William Painter
V.B.S. Director* ..... Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
W.M.U. Director* ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Brotherhood Director* ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
Music Director* ..... Mr. James Rogers

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Baptist Foundation ..... Mr. Jack Jolley
Baptist Homes For Aging ..... Mr. Carroll Green
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. William Painter
Baptist Student Union ..... Mr. Dennis Benton
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Aaron Pruitt
Christian Higher Education ..... Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Donald Byrd
Christian Stewardship and the Cooperative Program ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions ..... Rev. John Rogers
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
Radio and T.V. Commission ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant
North Carolina State General Board ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
*Previously approved by Assoc. Executive Committee

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dillard Davidson, Chair.
Mr. James Stott
Rev. John Rogers

COMMITTEES ON COMMITTEES REPORT FOR 1984-85

NON ROTATING COMMITTEES

Budget and Finance
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman
Consists of all Directors of Department, plus Moderator and Treasurer

Missions Committee
Consists of all Officers and Directors of Departments
(Elects its own Chairman)

Special Services Committee
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Chairman
Rev. William Painter
Mr. Carroll Green

Program and Calendar
General Officers and Heads of Departments

Associational Senior Coord.
Mr. Carroll Green

Trustees
Mr. Jack Jolley
Mr .Ted Owens
Mr. Earl Taylor

Media Center Director
Mrs. Millie Simpson

ROTATING COMMITTEES

Equipment Committee
(1985) Rev. Wesley Price (C.)
(1986) Rev. John Edwards
(1987) Rev. Benson Hodge

Constitutional Changes
(1985) Mr. Glenn Burgess (C.)
(1986) Rev. Steve Hardin
(1987) Rev. Hartsell Grubbs

Evangelism Committee
(1985) Rev. John Edwards
(1986) Rev. Terry Pleasant
(1987) Rev. John Godfrey (C.)

Nominating Committee
(1985) Rev. Dillard Davidson
(1986) Mr. Leroy McCraw (C.)
(1987) Rev. John Rogers

Ordination Committee
(1985) Rev. Herman Bright
(1985) Rev. Dillard Davidson
(1986) Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
(1986) Mr. Eugene Champion
(1987) Rev. John Edwards (C.)
(1987) Rev. Mike Davis

Place and Preacher
(1985) Mr. Paul Whitesides
(1986) Rev. Fred Rhodes (C.)
(1987) Rev. Houston Moses

Resolution Committee
(1985) Mrs. Jo Ann Moss
(1986) Mrs. Judy Jackson (C)
(1987) Mrs. Miriam Arledge

Memorial Committee
(1985) Mrs. Opal Edwards (C)
(1986) Mrs. Melba Gregory
(1987) Mrs. Doris Bradshaw

Recreation Committee
(1985) Mr. Ronnie Champion
(1986) Mr .Norman Morgan
(1987) Rev. Houston Moses

Youth Committee
(1985) Mr. David Moore
(1985) Rev. Terry Pleasant
(1986) Mrs. Nell Bennett
(1986) Miss Jody Shytle
(1987) Mrs. Kim McFarland
(1987) Mr. Dennis Benton (C.)

Reception and Location of New Churches
(1985) Rev. John Edwards
(1986) Rev. David Peterson
(1987) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Steve Hardin, (C)
Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
Mr. Ray Richards
Rev. Terry Pleasant

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983-84

Beginning Balance Oct. 1, 1983		$9,240.61
Contributions		
Churches:		
Regular	$22,501.67	
Revival	350.00	
W. Va. Miss.	2,675.00	
W. Va. Carpet	620.00	
Tornado R.	118.21	
Assoc. B.	1,968.00	
W. Miss. Con.	75.00	
	$28,307.88	
Other:		
W. Va. Proj.		
Simpsons	$300.00	
Wiggins	155.00	
Brotherhood	380.00	
J. Roe	20.00	
State Con.	1,500.00	
W.M.U.	170.63	
Simpsons:		
Assoc. B.	1,000.00	
	$3,525.63	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$31,833.51
GRAND TOTAL		$41,074.12
Less General Expenses		23,014.18
Amount Remaining		$18,059.94
Special Fund to Checking		24,959.67
Total		$43,019.61
Less Building Expenses		31,817.50
Amount Left		$11,202.11
Plus Interest		1,568.92
Total		$12,771.03
Less in Building Fund		968.00
TOTAL		$11,803.03
NCNB Cert. Fund		10,000.00
Nationwide Cert.		14,532.09

GENERAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1983-84

Salary	$4,500.00
Secretary	3,537.00
Utilities	2,363.00
Petty Cash-Mail Per.	500.00
Telephone	546.12
Office Space	600.00
Supplies	105.49
Mimeograph R.	211.03

Annual Minutes	688.50
Annual M. Speakers	150.00
Revival Expenses	704.78
Brotherhood	190.86
Sunday School	110.00
V.B.S.	131.00
Church Training	168.00
W.M.U.	210.52
Sub Total	$14,716.30

GENERAL EXPENSES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983-84

Simpsons (Christmas Gift)	$500.00
W. Va. Missions	2,900.00
W. Va. Carpet	944.94
W. Va. Gravel	430.00
Thermal Belt Youth Center	600.00
Tornado Relief	118.21
Cooperative P	25.00
Youth Revival	250.00
Annuity	1,066.68
Assoc. Trav.	235.40
S. Bap. Conv.	1,100.00
Deacon R.	100.00
Flowers (Smith Funeral)	27.65
Sub Total	$8,297.88
Sub. Total Page 1	14,716.30
Grand Total Expense	$23,014.18

BUILDING EXPENSES

Malone-Thomason-Building Per.	$370.00
Malone-Thomason-Working P	360.00
Building Permit	105.00
Water and Sewer Tap	700.00
Landscaping	702.50
Pull tractor from mud	25.00
Andy Metcalf	29,555.00
Total	$31,817.50
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSE	$54,831.68

SPECIAL FUND FOR 1983-84 POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Beginning Bal. Oct. 1, 1983	$1,671.51
Receipts on bank	9,000.00
Total	$10,671.51
Interest	1,030.25
Grand Total	$11,701.76
Contributions from churches	968.00
Sale of logs and wood	1,009.67
Total	$13,679.43
Cashed Money Cert. and Int.	17,017.08
Total	$13,679.43
Transfer to Checking Acct.	$24,959.67
Ending Bal. Sept. 30, 1984	$5,736.84

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1983-84

CHURCH	REG.	W. VA.	REV.	CARPET	TORN. R.	ASSOC.	B.W. MISS.
Beulah	$1,638.30	$180.00	$25.00	$50.00			
Big Level	2,160.00	440.00	25.00				
Columbus	2,648.00			50.00			
Cooper's G.	4,361.25	550.00	25.00	50.00			
Faith	350.00		25.00	50.00			
Faith T.							$75.00
Green Creek	900.00		25.00			$1,000.00	
Green River	700.00	325.00	25.00	50.00			
Hickory G.	2,499.44		25.00	50.00	$118.21		
Midway	960.00		25.00	50.00			
Mill Spring	536.53		25.00			268.00	
Morgan C.	300.00		25.00	50.00			
Pacolet H.	183.00	200.00		50.00		700.00	
Pea Ridge	500.00						
Peniel	320.00	500.00					
Pleasant G.	550.00						
Sandy S.	1,351.00	80.00	25.00	50.00			
Silver C.	1,650.00	220.00	25.00	50.00			
Tryon Sec.	494.14		25.00	50.00			
Warrior Mt.	400.00	180.00	25.00	20.00			
TOTALS	$22,501.67	$2,675.00	$350.00	$620.00	$118.21	$1,968.00	$75.00

ALL MONIES IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER 30, 1984

Ending Bal. Sept. 30, 1984	$11,803.03
NCNB Money Cert. Matures 10/30/84	10,000.00
Nationwide Money Cert.	14,532.09
Youth (Designated)	4,135.03*
Special Fund	5,736.84
Grand Total	$46,206.99

* Must be used as designated

Payments due on land	$15,000.00

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1984-85

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:	
Sunday School	$300.00
Church Training	250.00
W.M.U.	500.00
V.B.S.	350.00
Brotherhood	400.00
Music	400.00
Associational Speakers	200.00
Associational Minutes	800.00
Evangelism	500.00
Video Tapes, Films, etc.	150.00
Youth Program	300.00
World Mission Conference	1,000.00
TOTAL	$5,150.00
II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:	
Office Space, Util., Ins.	$3,300.00
Printing and Supplies	400.00
Telephone	600.00
Petty Cash, Postage	500.00
TOTAL	$4,800.00
III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES:	
Salary	$5,175.00
Secretary	4,370.00
Utilities and Housing	2,415.00
TOTAL	$11,960.00
IV. OTHER EXPENSES:	
Southern, State, Evang. Conv.	$1,000.00
Annuity	1,080.00
Christmas Gifts:	
Director of Missions	300.00
Secretary	200.00
Youth Shelter	600.00
Association Travel 20¢ Per Mile	400.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
TOTAL	$4,080.00
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET	$25,990.00

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman
Rev. John Edwards
Rev. Jack Weaver
Rev. Bill Painter
Mr. Howard Phillips
Mrs. Miriam Arledge

Our West Virginia project is pending for the next year. Each church will be asked to give $25.00 for our Polk Association Revival.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

November 6, 1983

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met November 6, 1983 at Mill Spring Church at 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Rev. John Edwards led in prayer. A roll call of the churches followed with 12 churches represented.

The Moderator announced that he had nominated Ray Richards, deacon at the Green River Church, as an additional member of the Committee on Committees. The motion was seconded with a call for a vote. Thevote, aye, was voiced by the group.

Rev. Houston Moses raised the question concerning a change in the meeting date of the Executive Committee from Sunday afternoon to a possible week night. It was noted by the Committee that to change the meeting date would require a constitutional change.

After some discussion the group agreed to send a letter to each pastor to get the opinion of the various churches.

There was a motion to adjourn by Rev. Jack Weaver with a second.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

February 5, 1984

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met February 5, 1984 at 2:30 P.M. at the Mill Spring Church.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw.

The interim pastor at Tryon Second, Rev. T. J. Horton, was recognized and welcomed.

Rev. William Painter read the scripture and led in prayer. The clerk called the roll and 17 churches were represented. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved.

Reports were made by the following committees:

Rev. John Rogers,Chairman of the Nominating Committe, reported that Rev. John Godfrey had asked to be replaced as Director of Sunday School for Polk Baptist Association. Rev. Jack Weaver was nominated and had agreed to serve. There was a call to vote, and Rev. Weaver was elected unanimously.

After discussion by the body it was voted to have Robert Stewart of the Sunday School Board to come on March 5. This motion was seconded. Rev. Houston Moses of the Program Committee was to make plans for the time and place for a supper meeting.

Mr. Howard Phillips, Director of Brotherhood for Polk Baptist Association gave the following report:

He told of the good results at White Oak Terrace and also Saluda Nursing Home. He thanked God for the wonderful things that He is doing with the jail

ministry. Mr. Phillips asked that all churches get involved in the Brotherhood Ministry. He also announced the Prayer Breakfast to be held on April 15.

Mrs. Simpson announced that the Associational Choir will meet February 12 at the Green Creek Church. Rev. Wesley Price reported that his group would be available for Sunday Night services.

Morgan Chapel is in need of a pianist and will pay $25.00 per week for one.

Rev. John Edwards, Evangelism Chairman, reported that plans were being made for a great revival in the fall.

Rev. Houston Moses said the Stewardship supper would be May 9 at Mill Spring Church.

The financial report was given out and approved.

The Moderator read a letter from Rev. Lawrence Stewart asking the Polk Association to participate in a Dedication Service to be held on April 8. Rev. Simpson asked each church to help purchase carpet for the new church in West Virginia.

The meeting was dismissed in prayer by Dr. Robert Lamb of Gardner Webb College.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITEE MEETING

May 27, 1984

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met on Sunday, May 27, 1984 at the Mill Spring Baptist Church at 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Rev. Hartsell Grubbs, pastor of the Sandy Springs Baptist Church led our devotions using a responsive reading based on faith as found in Hebrews 11. Afterward Rev. Grubbs led us in prayer.

The Clerk called the roll. Twelve churches were represented. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved as read. There was a call for organizational reports.

The Brotherhood Report was given by Howard Phillips. They have had seven profession of faith in the jail ministry. He asked all of us to get involved in the things that are going on in our local churches, the Polk Association, and our Baptist Covention. He challenged us all to get involved in God's kingdom.

The following Committee Reports were given:

Finance Committee - Mrs. Jolley reported that the financial report had been mailed.

Mission Committee - Rev. Lee Gregory announced about the World Mission Conference which will be held on April 25-28 in 1985. This will be Thursday through Sunday nights. There will be 5 services in the Polk Association and 5 services in the Green River Association. The cost will be $150 per church and there will be five speakers. Rev. Gregory encouraged each church to let him or Rev. Simpson know if they would participate. We trust all churches will be available for this wonderful opportunity.

Evangelism Committee - Rev. John Edwards asked for imput about the fall revival and also about reaching the lost people. The second week in October is

the date of revival with Rev. Van Murrell of Gardner-Webb College, the guest evangelist.

The Moderator asked for any miscellaneous business. There will be a Deacons Retreat at Big Level Church July 15th and 22nd. This will be led by Rev. Cline Borders and the time is 3-5 P.M. A motion was made by Rev. Houston Moses that our association contribute $100 toward this retreat. There was a second and a call for discussion. The group voted by uplifted hands.

Rev. John Edwards, representing the Long Range Planning Committee, presented architectural sketches of our new Associational Office. The cost will be between $60 and $70 thousand dollars with the help of volunteer labor. The dimensions will total 3,700 square feet. There was a motion to adopt this proposal. There was a call for discussion and questions. The Long Range Planning Committee will be responsible for getting a contractor to oversee the building with volunteer labor. The motion carried by uplifted hands.

The following were nominated to serve on the Building Committee: Rev. John Godfrey, Chairman, Preston Bowyer, John Lynch, Donald Byrd, Howard Phillips, and Eugene Champion. A motion was made, a second given, and the men were elected with a show of hands.

Rev. Marshall Simpson expressed his appreciation for the work being done in our association by the various committees. He also announced plans for his vacation the first three weeks in September. Prayer was requested for Rev. Bill Painter as he recuperated at home after a stay in the hospital. Also, prayer was requested for Rev. Bill Brock, Associational Director of Green River.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. Steve Hardin.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 5, 1984

The Executive Committe of Polk Baptist Association met on Sunday afternoon at Mill Spring Baptist Church at 2:30 P.M.

The Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, called the meeting to order, and a roll call of churches revealed 11 churches represented with 18 members present. After a devotional led by Rev. Benson Hodge the following items were on the agenda:

1. The Brotherhood ministry is still growing. One new Brotherhood has been organized since last meeting. The jail ministry is very successful with two professions of faith recently. Mr. Howard Phillips, Brotherhood Director, thanked the men for their cooperation and asked for continued prayers for this very important work.

2. Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Treasurer and Chairman of the Budget Committee, passed out copies for the third quarter financial report and also copies of the proposed budget for 1984-85. The proposed budget for 1984-85 of $25,990.00 was approved by the Committee.

3. The Chairman of the Missions Committee, Rev. Lee Gregory, encouraged the churches to participate in the World Mission Conference, April 25-28, 1985.

He also made a motion for our Polk Association to apply for $2,000 state aid for our association for the year 1984-85. The motion was seconded and the vote unanimous.

4. Rev. Dillard Davidson, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of Directors for the coming year:

Sunday School ..... Rev. Jack Weaver
Church Training ..... Rev. Bill Painter
Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
W.M.U ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Brotherhood Director ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
Music Director ..... Mr. James Rogers

All were elected unanimously by the Committee.

5. The Director of Missions, M. R. Simpson, announced the meeting for Polk Baptists Senior Citizens. Mr. Eugene Morgan, Senior Citizen Coordinator for our association, has planned a very important meeting for all interested senior adults at Beulah Baptist Church on Thursday morning, September 27th, at 10:00 A.M. Mr. Ted Williams from the state department will be guest speaker. Come and bring a covered dish as a luncheon and fellowship will follow.

6. Mr. Howard Phillips, member of the Building Committee, reported a work day at our building site. Four churches were represented and 8 workers were present. The logs will be moved on Saturday, August 11th. Plans will be accelerated by the Building Committee.

Respectfull submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk
Mrs. Millie Simpson, Substituting

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCATION 1984—85

November—	Baptist State Convention
Nov. 4	Gardner-Webb College Ministerial Sunday
Nov. 4	Polk Bapt. Executive Committee Meeting-Mill Spring 2 P.M.
Nov. 4-11	Royal Ambassador Week in Churches
Nov. 5	World Day of Prayer-Two sessions-First at 10 A.M. Second at 7 P.M. Both at Midway Baptist Church. First Session will share fellowship luncheon at 12 o'clock. Bring a covered dish.
Nov. 5	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
Nov. 6	"M NIGHT"-Hickory Grove Baptist Church-7 P.M. A GREAT NIGHT WITH MRS. ARA BAKER, SPEAKER! COME!
Nov. 10-11	Baptist Men's Convention-Asheville, N.C.
Nov. 12-14	North Carolina Baptist State Convention-Asheville
Nov. 18-21	Foreign Mission Study-Theme: "Partnership in Missions"
Nov. 22	Thanksgiving Day
December—	Foreign Mission Month-Lottie Moon Offering
Dec. 2-9	Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
Dec. 9	Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School
Dec. 10	Pastors' and Families Fellowship Supper
Dec. 23	Study Day at Christmas
Dec. 25	Christmas Day
January—	Bible Study Month-Psalms
Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 1	Fruitland Baptist Institute winter quarter begins
Jan. 7	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring-7:30 P.M.
Jan 7-11	Bible Study Week
Jan .13	Witness Commitment Day
Jan. 20	Baptist Men's Day
Jan. 28-30	General Board Meeting-Caraway Conference Center
Jan. 30-31	Directors' of Missions Meeting Caraway Conference Center
February—	W.M.U. Focus Week
Feb. 3	Baptist World Alliance Sunday
Feb. 4-5	N. C. Baptist State Evangelism Conference-Greensboro
Feb. 3	Executive Committee Meeting at Mill Spring 2:30 P.M.
Feb. 10-16	W.M.U. Focus Week
Feb. 10	Race Relations Sunday
Feb. 11	Pastors' and Families Fellowship Supper
Feb. 17-20	Home Mission Study
Feb. 18-19	Mountain Pastors' Workshop at Ridgecrest
March—	Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions
Mar. 3-10	Week of Prayer for Home Missions
Mar. 4	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
Mar. 7-8	V.B.S. Clinics for Associational Teams
Mar. 10-16	Youth Week
Mar. 15-16	W.M.U. Annual Session at Winston Salem
Mar. 17	Youth Sunday
Mar. 25-27	Regional Growing an Evangelistic Church-Asheville

April—	Bold Missions — Cooperative Program Day
Apr. 7	Easter Sunday
Apr. 8	Pastors' Conference at Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
Apr. 15-17	Planned Growth in Giving State Conference-Ridgecrest
Apr. 19-20	Media Conference-Caraway Center
Apr. 21	Cooperative Program Day
Apr. 22-26	Baptist Doctrine Study
Apr. 25-28	WORLD MISSION CONFERENCE
May—	Christian Home Week
May 5	Senior Adult Day
May 5-12	Christian Home Week
May 12	Mother's Day
May 13-15	KEY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT RIDGECREST
May 20-26	Associational Emphasis Week
May 28-29	General Board Meeting
June—	Southern Baptist Convention at Dallas, Texas
June 7	Baptist Men's Executive Committee, Caraway Conference C.
June 9-10	W.M.U. Convention-Dallas, Texas
June 11-13	Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas, Texas
June 13-19	Music Leadership Conference-Ridgecrest
June 16	Father's Day
July—	Christian Study and Fellowship
July 1-5	Week of Christian Study and Fellowship-Mars Hill College
July 4	Independence Day
July 15-18	Associational Directors of Missions Conference
July 14	Christian Literature Day
July 29-31	Ministers' Wives Retreat
August—	Youth Emphasis On To College Day
Aug. 4	Day of Prayer for World Peace
Aug. 4	Executive Committee Meeting Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
Aug. 5-7	Sunday School Mini-Week at Caraway Conference Center
Aug. 18-24	W.M.U. Conference at Ridgecrest
Aug. 18-25	Church Music Emphasis Week
September—	Week of Prayer for State Missions
Sept. 2	Labor Day
Sept. 1-7	Brotherhood Leadership Week
Sept. 8-15	Week of Prayer for North Carolina State Missions
Sept. 16-19	Church Training Bible Skill Rallies
Sept. 19-21	N.C. Regional Conference on Prayer and Spiritual Awakening
Sept. 24-25	General Board Meeting at Caraway
Sept. 25-26	Directors of Missions Convention at Caraway
October—	Cooperative Program Month-Associational Meeting
Oct. 8	Regional Evangelism Conference in Asheville
Oct. 13	World Hunger Day
Oct. 24	POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING AT MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

HISTORY OF COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH

It was on the morning of April 1, 1857 that a council of interested persons met in the old wooden county court house in Columbus, N.C. to organize a new missionary Baptist Church.

This council was composed of the following deacons: James Coward from Green River Church, Toliver Davis of Rutherfordton, M. L. Morrow and A. P. Bobo from Wolf Creek, now Landrum Church. The following ministers were present: Thomas J. Earl, D. C. Rollins and A. J. Cansler.

Then a week later, on April 8, the newly formed Columbus Baptist Church, composed of thirty-one charter members, met and called A. J. Cansler as its first pastor. The charter members included six white men and seventeen white women, two negro men and six negro women, slaves of the white members at that time.

Although there are no records for a period of time, and we do not know for sure when the church building was built, older people of the county have told us it was erected in 1858.

Rev. T. B. Justice was elected pastor in August of 1896. Under his leadership the church seemed to take on new life. A Sunday School was organized at this time. Then in 1910 the W.M.U. was organized by Mrs. T. W. Posey, wife of the pastor at that time.

It was in 1927 that a new front was put on the building, a baptistry was installed in the auditorium, and a rock wall was built in front of the church.

In 1945 Rev. H. E. Bradey became the first full time pastor. During his pastorate eight additional Sunday School rooms were built and regular contributions were begun to the Cooperative Program. Many new members were added, and a parsonage was begun. The new parsonage was dedicated September 27, 1953.

In 1957 the church conducted a week long celebration of its centennial year. Previous pastors were present to bring messages each night of the week.

During the 1960's church membership and attendance continued to grow, utilizing all the educational facilities which had been completed a few years previously. Also, at this period of time, stained glass windows were installed in the sanctuary, a library was started, and the front of the church was remodeled and enclosed to provide a vestibule.

During the 1970's when Rev. Charles Bullard was pastor many improvements were made, one being that new pews were purchased. And now under the able leadership of Rev. Fred Rhodes many things are being accomplished by the church.

On March 23, 1980 fire caused extensive damage to the educational building and smoke damage to the sanctuary. But God's people have been at work, and repairs will be completed by October 1.

We rejoice in the progress of Columbus Baptist Church and thank the Lord for His bountiful love and blessings.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Pauline Bell, Historian

PASTORAL MINISTRIES REPORT 1984

The theme for Pastoral Ministries for 1983 through 1985 is "Reaching People and Developing Believers." This is the task of all church members in all the churches.

Both "Reaching" and "Developing" is important. If a person is "reached" and then he is not "developed" then we have done only half of the job.

For a person to be "reached" and "developed" it takes all our organizations working in harmony with each other. Paul states in 1 Corinthians 12 that we are many members but only one body. Pastoral Ministries takes in all of our organizations as each group does the task that Christ has given to the church.

Respectfully submitted,
O. Lee Gregory

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT 1984

We think that our young people are just the greatest! This has been a good year for them. Two of our recent graduates from Gardner-Webb are in seminary. Rev. Vince Hefner is at Wake Forest at Southeastern, and Miss Katherine Fagan is studying music at Southwestern. Our FOCUS team is still active, and we always enjoy coming to our home churches.

Two of our churches had Youth Workers for the summer. Miss Maureen Davis and Miss De Calton led many activities in Polk. Miss Davis led many retreats and backyard clubs and helped with a week at Caswell with Cooper's Gap Youth. Miss Calton helped with V.B.S., a V.B.S. Fair, and outings and study for Green Creek Youth.

Hickory Grove sponsored a Youth Rally and invited all of the churches to participate. The music and testimonies were most challenging. Hickory Grove Acteens also were the only lucky girls to go to the "NAC Convention" in Fort Worth, Texas.

Youth from Big Level went for a week-end of study and play at Cherokee. Youth from Faith, Green Creek, and Beulah had most rewarding experiences at South Mountain Camp.

Don't you agree our youth were busy? We are looking forward to another "Youth Explosion" in 1985!

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Benton

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES — SERVICES IN SEASON

Often our mountains are called "The Land of Four Seasons." In relation to Baptist Children's Homes our area is soon to become the land of four residential services for needy boys and girls.

Our lead service will continue to be the ministry provided by Broyhill Baptist Children's Home at Clyde. The beautiful chalet style cottages clustered around the lake, nestled in our mountain cove, provide one of the loveliest settings to be found anywhere in the world. This year approximately seventy-five children have been served in this beautiful facility.

Our second program of residential care is the Maternity Home in Asheville. More than thirty girls will be served through this redemptive ministry this year.

An indication of the quality Christian care provided is the commitment of the caring staff. The regular houseparents are Frances and Alvoid Foxx of Brevard. In spite of their Maternity Home schedule the Foxxes still maintain such a close relationship with the Turkey Creek Baptist Church in Brevard that Alvoid continues to serve as an active deacon.

With all of our lovely facilities an even greater asset is our dedicated Christian staff.

Our third residential service is emergency care at Haywood Cottage on the Broyhill campus and Thermal Belt Baptist Youth Shelter in Forest City. At both of these facilities a child can come in at a moment's notice and be cared for while things stabilize at home or while a long-term placement is being arranged. The stresses of our day have made this ministry the most in demand of all of the services we offer.

Now our fourth residential services is on the horizon. This will be a ministry for children who have suffered unusual degrees of abuse and neglect making the intensity of life on a campus, with numbers of children, difficult. Moody Farm Ministries in Macon County is being developed especially for these boys and girls.

Currently we are at the task of raising $500,000 to complete the first stage of construction, and we project that by October, 1985 we will have children in care.

In the "Land of Four Seasons" these four residential services are there for needy children because of our wonderful Christian friends who have been "instant in-season" in meeting the needs.

We continue to praise our Lord for the faithfulness for the Batpists of North Carolina who have supported this child care ministry for almost one hundred years with their prayers, concern, understanding and financial resources.

Luther Osment, Director
Western Area Family Services
Charles L. Tanner
Director of Public Relations
C.L.T.

Dr. Michael C. Blackwell
President

THERMAL YOUTH SHELTER REPORT FOR 1984

We are fortunate to have our youth shelter so near by, and this home has been a blessing to many families in our area and in surrounding counties.

Isn't it wonderful that Christians "love and care" for those who are neglected and are hurting? The Dobsons are supervising these youth and helping to restore lives and families. Along with their help we are happy to report that Rev. and Mrs. Bill Painter spend time on the week-ends at this home caring and sharing with these youth. It is good to see a row of these youth in Faith Temple on some Sunday mornings.

Several of our churches have visited the home and carried vegetables and fruits in season. Pacolet Hills and Morgan Chapel are among those who visited recently. A peach orchardist in the Sandy Springs Church opened his orchards to these youth and the sponsors filled the freezer with these delicious peaches.

Polk Baptist Association has allotted $600 in the proposed budget for the home. Individual churches also have included this home in the budget for their church. This is deeply appreciated. Sandy Springs gave over $2,000 last year and we are grateful.

In September the Dobsons gave a beautiful open house for our new president of our children's Homes. Dr. Michael Blackwell and his family. The annual Christmas banquet for those who serve on the Youth Shelter Committee was lovely.

The home welcomes your visit at anytime. If you have not been to Forest City to visit our home I trust that you will find your way there soon.

Respectfully submitted,
Leroy McCraw, Representative

REPORT FROM YOUR SENIOR COORDINATOR FOR 1984

In early spring a Senior-Adult Workshop was attended in Shelby on how to carry out an effective ministry with Senior-Adults, led by Ted Williams, Director of the Department of Aging, Raleigh. A report was given at a Pastor's Conference and a decision made to have Mr. Williams bring his workshop to our Association.

This workshop was led by Mr. Williams on Sept. 27 at the Beulah Church with six churches represented. Hopefully enough enthusiasm was generated from this workshop that our Association will prayerfully take the responsibility of an effective ministry to all our senior adults.

Respectfully submitted,
Eugene Morgan, Senior C.

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS ON BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES - 1984

Special people are giving unselfishly of themselves to the ministry of the Baptist Retirement Homes. Heading the list are North Carolina Baptists. From October, 1983-April, 1984 Baptists gave 26.3% of the Homes total income through the Cooperative Program, North Carolina Missions Offering, and special gifts. This support covered 77% of the Homes' benevolent care ministry. The benevolent care projections for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984 are running at about $1,000,000. Mission gifts will fall short of the need by $250,000. Currently approximately 40% of the residents in the five homes are able to cover their full cost of care. Mission gifts are vital to the benevolent care ministry of the Retirement Homes. The 1983 change in the Homes' Cooperative Program allocation greatly added to the support. Prayer support, personal encouragement and visits are greatly appreciated because they mean so much to the residents, staff, and to the ongoing effective ministry of the Homes.

To effectively operate a $3.2 million ministry takes a group of individuals looking from many different perspectives at financing, planning, upkeep, development, etc. One special group-20 Trustees whom you have elected make major decisions. One new decision is a "Capital Funds Campaign-A Call To Remember." Members of the Trustees are comprising a Search Committee to locate a successor for Dr. Poole upon his retirement in Oct. 1985. The Trustees voted to change the Homes' name to The Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina.

Currently, operating expenses are running 3.6% ahead of the same period last year. The 220 Baptist Homes' employees are responsible for such a modest increase. They are truly a special part of the Homes' ministry with older persons.

During the past months a state-wide Capital Funds Campaign has been undertaken led by Fred Lovette, retired President and Chairman of the Board for Holly Farms. Through the efforts of this group plans are being made to raise $2½ million to update the Hayes Home facility.

The Homes' 33 year heritage has been marked by the deepest concern and Christian love for the older persons who have made their homes in Baptist Retirement Homes. Our future is bright as the promises of God Himself and the love and support that North Carolina Baptists give.

Polk Baptists should be especially grateful for our Western North Carolina Retirement Home in Asheville and take every opportunity to visit and share our time with these people. Some churches do have birthday parties with these on certain months. A list of birthdays will be furnished for those wanting a list.

Respectfully submitted,
Eugene Morgan, Representative

BAPTIST HOSPITAL
Report to the Associations
1984

During the past year Baptist Hospital admitted 24,577 patients for a total of 218,735 days of patient care. There were 211,547 outpatient clinic visits and 31,930 visits to the emergency room. Surgical procedures totaled 11,816 including 700 open heart operations and 20 kidney transplants.

Several clinical advances during the past year serve as examples of the hospital's quality of care. (1) Neurosurgeons have developed a new procedure for treating head injuries which has resulted in our having the lowest mortality rate for patients with this type of injury of any major medical center in the world. (2) Improvements is perinatal care with special emphasis on prevention of preterm labor have resulted in a lower infant mortality rate and in a 15% reduction in the number of babies in Forsyth County needing to be admitted to the intensive care nursery. (3) A new treatment offers relief without surgery for many patients suffering from ruptured vertibral discs. (4) Many patients with kidney stones should benefit from the use of new equipment being acquired in the Section on Urology. It uses ultrasound to break up stones of the urinary tract so that, in many instances, surgery is not necessary.

The School of Pastoral Care during the past year provided clinical pastoral education to 276 ministers through 47 clinical-pastoral programs. Chaplains in the Department of Pastoral Care made more than 33,000 visits to patients, families of patients, and hospital staff. The department also provided more than 20,000 hours of pastoral counseling at its various centers in Winston-Salem, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Morganton, and Charlotte. This program was supported in part from gifts through the Cooperative Program which amounted to $515,556 during the past year. Dr. J. Dewey Hobbs began his work on March 15 as the new director of the Department of Pastoral Care.

The hospital received $351,801 through the North Carolina Missions Offering during the fiscal year. A total of 418 patients received financial assistance on their bills through this fund. These bills ranged in size from $20 to $21,000.

The trustees, staff and especially the patients at Baptist Hospital are deeply grateful to the Baptist churches for their continuing support.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerald Quinn, Chairman,
Board of Trustees
John E. Lynch, President

I cannot tell you just what our Baptist Hospital means to me. If you ever have an experience such as our church had when we had a patient in the "Burn Center"—then you will know just what a hospital can mean to you. However, I hope you will never have to know this in such a situation, but you may rest assured Baptist Hospital is adequate to meet your needs.

The hospital is never closed to your call, and it is a great feeling to know that we are blessed with such wonderful facilities. If you have a need please feel free to call "Baptist Hospital."

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Painter, Representative

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT TO ASSOCIATIONS, 1984

In the midst of our attention to space exploration, adventures of science fiction personalities, and the real-life exploits of astronauts, the lovable character, "E.T." was born. He became the object of our sympathy and affection, as well as the source of revenue for his creators. For the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, the letters "E.T." have taken on another and especially significant meaning during the year 1983-84. The most exciting new idea was the creation of the Endowment Trust-Everybody's Trust. It is now possible for practically every adult in our churches to participate in sustained support of Baptist work through a perpetual trust. Each of us wishes we **could** continue our witness forever. We know that we **should** plan for such continuing witness. And now each of us **can** participate in permanent support of our particular Baptist interest.

The Endowment Trust you create may be started with as small a gift as $25.00. You may add a tax deductible gift to it as often as you wish, in whatever amount you wish. When the principal attains a minimum which you predetermine, (ususally $1,000), then the income earned is distributed to the Baptist cause which you have also predetermined. The income will be paid every year, after year, after year - forever!

The potential?

If friends of just one-half the members of our churches who die each year should place their memorial gifts in Endowment Trusts to honor those persons, we could increase the support base of Baptist work by six million dollars each year!

If 1,000 of us with vision should honor retiring pastors or faithful church leaders, or recognize the birthdays of venerable members with Endowment Trusts, that would place one million dollars in trust for Baptist causes!

If those of us who shop and search for a meaningful gift for parent or other loved one should give them, instead, a trust in their name, we would instantly make available millions of dollars for mission outreach!

One example is worth a million descriptive words. Just a few months ago a widow in Thomasville created an Endowment Trust in memory of her husband. Her initial gift was $100. At Christmas, she and her children added to the Trust. As this report is being written, five checks totaling $300 to be placed in the Trust have arrived from this family "in memory of him on

Father's Day!" Surely a more loving and significant gesture is difficult to find. Each of us has equal access to such joy!

The impact of the E.T. Trust, and the increasing awareness that we each have a responsibility for the eternal use of our material resources, has caused Baptists of North Carolina to give this past year through new trusts, designated additions to existing trusts, and through increased value of assets managed by the Foundation a total of $953,000, an increase of almost a million dollars each year! Income earned by trusts - income which is all paid out to Baptist causes or annuitants - was over $534,000 last year. A half-million dollars distributed, much of it in the name of persons no longer living here on earth!

Rapidly increasing, and very evident in this past year, is the service rendered as executor of estates and through exercising power of attorney. This is a service which the Foundation happily affords and which will soon be expanded when a staff person will be assigned this responsibility.

No author of science fiction generates more excitement than you who make commitment of self and substance for the Lord's work - forever! The Foundation exists to help you discover ways to demonstrate your own commitment through planned stewardship of those resources which you leave after life on earth ceases.

Jack Jolley, Representative

REPORT TO THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

In reporting the progress of the Bible cause during 1983, the officers and staff of the American Bible Society are deeply conscious of the indispensable part played by the people of God known as the Southern Baptist Convention whose faithfulness in prayer and support enabled the printed Word of God to reach more lands and languages than ever before. We express our deep appreciation to all who were involved in promoting this vital ministry of Scripture translation, publication and distribution throughout the world.

Reports are now in from over 180 locations worldwide where the Bible Societies are at work and we praise God for the encouraging advances being made on almost all fronts. More than 700 translation projects were underway on all continents. For many of these it is the first time any portion of scripture has been translated into the language of the people. More than 497 million copies of whole Bibles or single selections found their way into the hearts and homes of men and women in nearly every country on earth. None of this would have been possible without the prayerful support of your people both as individuals and congregations.

In Zaire translations have progressed well during the past year, and seven of the twelve projects are for very first Bibles in Zairean languages. The Ebeonbe Old Testament is nearing completion and the manuscript will probably be ready during 1984.

In Kenya orders are already being processed for the new translation of the New Testament in the Maasau language. A consignment of 15,000 Bibles

came and went in 3 days!

Brazil is producing Bibles for the first time on paper manufactured in Brazil itself. Literacy is still a prime concern in Brazil and there is a great need for the distribution of 290,000 Scriptures to the new-literates in a style language adpated to those who have just learned to read.

In the United States 126 million Bibles, Testaments, Portions, and Selections were distributed. An intensive program to ethnic groups will be accelerated. New Reader Scriptures are needed all around. There are more than 800 million of the world's people that cannot read or write. In some areas the illiterate population is 90% of the total!

One of the most impressive and challenging facts which has emerged is that in a single five-year period there has been an increase of 17% in the number of new Christians in just five countries of Asia, Africa, and Latin America-more than 24 million new Christians who need and want to read God's Word for themselves.

Respectfully submitted,
Herman Bright, Representative

INFORMATION FOR PREPARATION OF CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT TO ASSOCIATIONS, 1984

YOUR NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST COLLEGES

CAMPBELL - CHOWAN - GRADNER-WEBB - MARS HILL - MEREDITH - WAKE FOREST - WINGATE

WHY BAPTIST COLLEGES?

In a special study, adopted by the Council on Christian Higher Education, the Baptist college was described as **a place for study; a place for growing in spiritual and intellectual maturity;** and **a place where life continues and futures are shaped.**

That same report says Baptist colleges are **worth what they cost** because they offer:

1. A good, comprehensive educational experience.
2. An atmosphere of Christian trust and loving concern.
3. The challenge to think and to distinguish among values.
4. An understanding of the place of faith, and the scope and limitations of reason.
5. Acceptance into a person-centered community where spiritual, personal and intellectual growth are encouraged.
6. The opportunity to become familiar with the great ideas and cultures of the past.
7. The motivation to develop a Christian world-view for facing the uncertainties of the future and for resisting the claims of rivals to Christian thought.

The choice of a college has a life-shaping impact. Baptist young people are encouraged to attend Baptist colleges. It will make a world of difference in their lives.

AN ANNIVERSARY YEAR

The year 1984 marks the 150th anniversary for Wake Forest University. Equally significant, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina celebrates 150 years of involvement and partnership in Christian education. It all began in 1834, when the Convention was only four years old.

Another milestone in 1984 is the 40th birthday of the Council on Christian Higher Education, a model of church/college cooperation in the Southern Baptist Convention.

The ministry of our Baptist colleges has prospered in North Carolina because of the prayers and the gifts of churches, and because Baptist youth continue to attend.

Please continue to favor us with your young people, your gifts and your prayers.

Our college students bless our churches! If you have never had a summer youth worker you have missed untold blessings!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Representative

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CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

A new church year is starting and there are new goals to be reached. Did we reach the goals set for 1983-84 as an Association Church group or an individual?

We continue to feel that we as Southern Baptists are fortunate indeed to have the Christian Literature that is offered to help us in our task of teaching the Bible Learning to study and witness to others. The writes of our material are dedicated to anticipating the needs of a changing world, and writing inspired lessons for us to use as we grow and change to keep abreast of changing needs.

Each quarter there are new helps for strengthening families and supporting and teaching new Christians. The Survival Kit for new Christians has been followed by a second kit to continue growth for these new Christians.

The Masterlife and Disciple Youth courses are designed for learning and putting into practice what Christianity is all about by sharing our Lord with others.

This, besides all the good missions literature and magazines, Sunday School lessons, Doctrine Studies, Bible School literature, and other materials go to

make up some of the best Chrsitian Literature available. Then, of course, an informative state paper, The Biblical Recorder, we can be proud of as we keep up with the Baptists of our state as well as critical issues that concern us all.

So let us continue to find and use the literature best suited for our individual churches as we equip ourselves for the task of reaching out to the world in our BOLD MISSION THRUST for the year ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Ann Byrd
Warren Mountain Church

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS—1984

The Biblical Recorder

History was made last year when the **Biblical Recorder,** fourth oldest of the 35 state Baptist papers in the Southern Baptist Convention, celebrated 150 years of Baptist papers in North Carolina. And history was made again in 1984 when for the first time in more than 72 years, the **Recorder** moved into its own building, becoming the fourth state paper to have its own building.

In February, 1912, the **Recorder** moved into its own building in the heart of Raleigh. In July, 1984, the paper moved into its own building in the middle of one of the fastest growing areas of the Capital City. Coming to Raleigh in 1838 from New Bern, the **Recorder** is the oldest business in Raleigh and exceeded in terms of operations in Raleigh only by Brown-Wynne Funeral Home which began in 1836.

The business of the **Biblical Recorder** is the Lord's business! Since it was founded by Thomas Meredith, the Baptist paper of North Carolina has been committed to the advancement of the Kingdom of God as Baptists coordinate their resources to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth. The purpose of the **Recorder** is to inform, indoctrinate, enlist, inspire and provide a forum for unity in the fellowship as we fulfill the Great Commission.

For the third consecutive year, subscription rates will **NOT** be raised. In 1982, a gigantic increase in the cost of second-class postage (260 per cent) necessitated the increase in subscription rates but now that the rates have moderated some (they are still 80 per cent higher than 1981) and the new Biblical Recorder Building was entered debt-free, the paper will hold the line on subscription rates. We want to make it as easy as possible for churches to send the paper to every family.

Never has there been a greater time than now when Baptists needed to be well informed. There is so much misinformation, exploitation and manipulation in our time that Baptists need a source of news that can be trusted to present facts as they are available and apply them to the betterment, not the harm, of Baptists.

There are tensions in the Baptist family, partly produced by the world conditions in which we operate, and Baptists need a forum where differing views can be expressed. Many so-called Baptist papers provide only one point of view; they do not permit an exchange of ideas and perspectives. The **Biblical Recorder** does and must always serve all the Baptists of our fellowship.

"Every true Baptist believer a faithful **Recorder** reader" sounds like an impossible dream but we have set that as a goal for the ministry of the paper which from its beginning was designed to serve the cause of Chrit by serving all of His people, not just a limited few. We are grateful for the support we have received across the years and request your continued prayers, support and readership. We continue our march toward making the **Biblical Recorder** the best state Baptist paper inthe Southern Baptist Convention. Tar Heel Baptists deserve no less!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd
Associational Representative

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE FOR 1984

We rejoice in victories that God has given in the past year and recognize our dependence upon Him in the coming year.

I. UNIFORM DRINKING AGE OF 21—President Reagan has signed law legislation that results in states losing federal highway funds if age 21 is not established as a minimum drinking age for all alcoholic beverages. N.C. General Assembly bowed to the pressures of the beer industry and tavern operators and did not raise the state's drinking age to 21. States which have shown a reduction in teen-age fatalities of 28%. The League joined with other states and launched a successful campaign in the U.S. Congress. It is apparent that the 1985 legislature will raise the drinking age to 21 because of the projected loss from $15 to $30 million in federal highway funds. It goes to prove that we have a General Assembly more concerned about dollars than the lives of our young people.

II. LOTTERY: North Carolina General Assembly defeated by a narrow margin legislation against gambling. However, there will be another effort made in 1985. Use your influence with the politicians at election time.

III. PORNOGRAPHY: North Carolina has become the nation's "smut" capital with more sex outlets per capita than any other state. The state government has done nothing to curb the porno plague but a few communities have been able to close down some x-rated theaters. Contact the Christian Action League, Box 2126, Raleigh, N.C. 27602, if we can assist you in dealing with the pornography questions in your community.

IV. BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR ELECTIONS: We have had the privilege to assist several areas in defeating referendums in the past year. The alcohol industry was defeated in campaigns conducted in Nash, Edgecombe, Scotland, and Chatham counties. The communities of White Lake, Clarkton and Mocksville were also victorious in similar votes. A key victory was in the Avery County town of Elk Park where beer sales were abolished.

V. ABORTION: North Carolina remains the only state in the Southeast to use state funds for medically unnecessary abortions. We use the state funds for those who use abortion as a matter of birth control or convenience. To remove this funding, get a commitment from your candidates to the North Carolina General Assembly.

CONCLUSION: Through your prayers and financial support, you have made it possible for the League to be able to have a BOLD witness in the BOLD MISSION that you have given us. As we approach a new year, need we be reminded: ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR EVIL TO FLOURISH IS FOR GOOD PEOPLE TO DO NOTHING.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom M. Freeman, President
Coy C. Privette, Executive Director

Pray for Christian Action League! They help to make our communities a safer place in which to live! We do appreciate ALL the work that this group helps to accomplish. May God bless!

Respectfully submitted,
Benson Hodge, Representative

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT FOR 1984

I am proud to be a member of the family of God. Next I am proud to be a member of a Southern Baptist Church. Southern Baptists belong to the family of God, but there is one great bond between the thousands of churches scattered throughout America. That bond is "COOPERATION" or "TEAM WORK." It is one of my greatest joys to read of all the souls saved all over this world, lives brought back to health again, our children loved and cared for, our concern for the older citizens, and the education of our young people for numerous kinds of service to bring glory to His name. None of this could ever be accomplished by one Southern Baptist Church, but just think how much can be accomplished through "COOPERATION."

Many people who call themselves Southern Baptists do not know this key word that is the heartbeat of our denomination and sets us apart as "Southern Baptists." "COOPERATION" is the one thing which gives us the name "Southern Baptists" and not one of the hundreds of other kinds of Baptists in the world today.

The Cooperative Program began in 1925 at our Southern Baptist Convention. It was organized because the churches "pool' their contributions into one "COOPERATION" and then divide the total among the needs of our people. This plan began to work so beautifully that our churches quite readily and willingly became a part of this wonderful plan. This is the GREATEST MISSION PROGRAM in the world, and as I go from church to church in our Association I try to show you how the Cooperative Program works and encourage you to give your share through this great plan. If there is some channel of support that you do not favor-then designate it to the Children's Home or Foreign Missions or whatever cause you like, but channel at least your part of 10% THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM."

I am proud to say that I belong to the church which gives the largest percentage, but I wish that we had raised it for next year. Our Associational Goal for this year was $50,000. I hope that we went over this.

My continued prayer will be for this Association that we give at least 10% through the Cooperative Program. When all of our churches contribute this amount at least you will hear me shout! God bless you and help you resolve to make this commitment in your church.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. George Lynch, Stewardship

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS REPORT-1984

North Carolina Southern Baptists observed the week of September 9-16 as a Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions. Our State Goal for North Carolina Missions for 1984 is $2,800,00. Last year (1983), the Polk Baptist Association gave $3,481 to State Missions.

The North Carolina State Missions Offering is broken down and distributed as follows: State Missions Ministries - 27% = $742,500. Baptist Hospital 15% = $412,500. Baptist Homes For the Aging 15% = $412,500. Baptist Children's Homes 15% = $412,500. Christian Higher Education Scholarships and Heck Jones WMU 5% = $137,500. Baptist Men 3% = $82,500.

The THEME for the North Carolina State Mission Offering this year is "Hope is Something you give . . . when someone needs your love." However, let's remember that our greatest motivating factor for such an offering should always be the words of our Lord and Saviour when He said: "GO YE" and through the North Carolina State Mission Offering WE CAN GO!

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. John L. Rogers
Representative

Home Missions Report

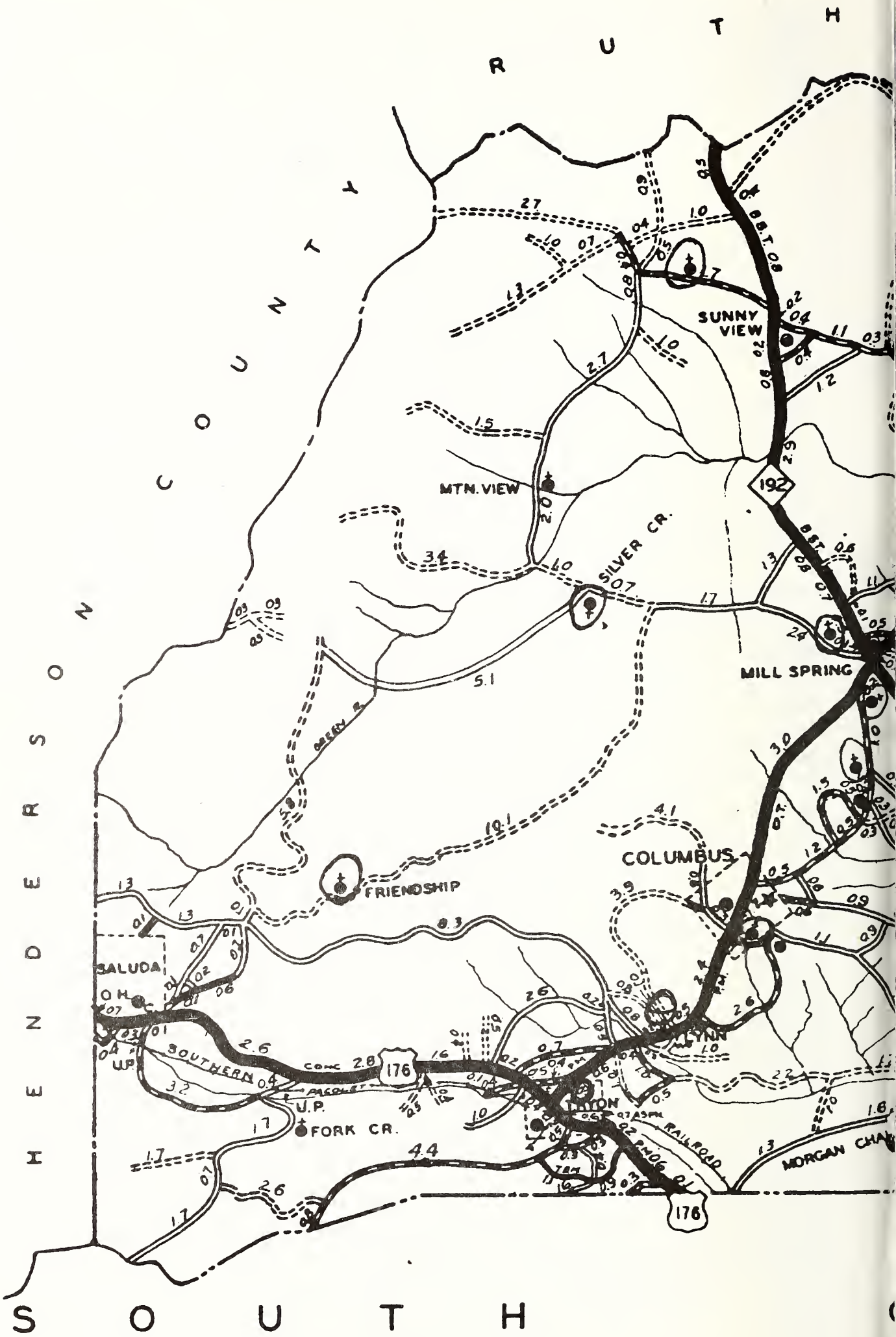
The Home Mission Board has developed from an agency whose single task was direct missions—hiring and placing missionaries on the field—to an organization with a manifold purpose: Continuing direct missions while helping all units of Southern Baptist life also do missions.

The Home Mission Board provides numerous resources for the local church. The Board also encourages churches to begin and strengthen two important units: the church missions committee and the church evangelism council.

The 1983 income for the Home Mission Board was $48,049,600. Of this total $19,000,000 was for the Cooperative Program. The Polk Association's contribution was $10,182.

The Home Mission Board's total budget for 1984 is $57,300,000 inclusive of church loans. Operation of the Home Mission Board and its ministeries costs: $4,775,000 per month, $1,101,923 per week, $156,557 per day, $6,523.00 per hour or $109.00 per minute.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy P. Arledge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N.C. TOGO PARTNERSHIP

Partners in Wholeness, the NC/Togo Partnership, is well into the first of its three-and-a-half years. Begun with the vote of the Baptist State Convention last November, the Partnership involves North Carolina Baptists, the Foreign Mission Board, Baptist missionaries in Togo, and the Togolese Baptist Association.

Togo is a small country on the coast of West Africa, located next to Ghana and near Nigeria. It is fairly typical of countries in the Third World, those developing countries where there is much poverty and many needs.

The Partnership is located in the Upper Ogou Region of Togo. This is a very poor area, where life expectancy is only 38 years and 50% of the children die before they reach the age of six.

Several factors contribute to this situation. Water is a major problem. Women, whose responsibility it is to obtain water, often must walk many miles to a well or stream. Sadly, even that water is usually contaminated with parasites. During the dry season, which lasts for six months, water may not be available for crops or animals. Water problems are compounded by poor nutrition. While adequate quantities of food may be available, the traditional Togolese diet is very high in starch and low in protein.

All of this is made even worse by the lack of basic health information or simple medical care. Common childhood diseases, which would be easily thrown off by most American children, can be fatal in Togo. Many of these diseases, like measles, could be prevented by inoculations, if only they were available. Poor health information leads to more deaths. For example, the traditional "cure" for childhood diarrhea is to **withhold** fluids. This seemingly logical response, of course, speeds dehydration and hastens death.

The Upper Ogou is also an area with deep spiritual needs. The primary religion is animism or fetishism, the traditional worship of many spirits. Until last fall, the only other Christian work in the region was at two small Catholic missions. Even the Moslems, strong in many parts of Africa, have only one small mosque in the area. Last fall, Baptist missionaries and Togolese Baptist preachers led an evangelistic crusade in which nearly 400 were saved and six preaching stations were established. In an area in which the primary religion is based on fear, the good news of Christ, with its message of hope and joy, is falling on fertile ground.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

1983 the best year of advance for foreign missions since the beginning of Bold Mission Thrust, showed dramatic increases in several major categories:

1. Baptizing believers and starting churches. More than 27 churches were organized on the average during every week last year.
2. Opening new work.
3. Training leadership.
4. Discipling believers.
5. Calling out the called.
6. Sending volunteers.
7. Ministering to physical needs.

8. Ministering through the media.
9. Praying.

In each country the missionaries and their local Baptist colleagues carefully plan together their annual program of work and project their financial needs on a priority basis. All of the needs are never met, but with careful planning and budgeting, every dollar achieves maximum results in reaching people for Christ.

Since its beginning in 1925 the Cooperative Program has been called the heartbeat of Southern Baptist, and the glue that holds the convention together in its focus on missions.

The board's allocation of Cooperative Program receipts for 1983 $48,745,954. Although the $58 million goal for the 1982 offering (received in 1983) was budgeted the actual receipts fell $4 million short. 1983 was still a good financial year. Coupled with a strong dollar overseas, unusually high interest rates in 1982 had helped provide additional income both on the boards endowment investments and on short term investment of funds awaiting use overseas. During 1983 however, interest rates began to decline and with them this extra income. Polk Baptist Association's contributions to Foreign Missions for 1982 was $25,316.00.

How God uses believing people to get the gospel to unbelieving men and women is a many splendored story across many centuries. God has placed the world in our hearts. God has given us a responsive, dangerous, opportune moment in history.

We must stand tall on our knees. We must be courageous in humility. We must be prophetic in love. We must get on with doing missions, the greatest task God ever entrusted to human beings.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy P. Arledge

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1984

"Great Day In The Morning" has NOT arrived in Polk Baptist Association! This is sad because we need the Bible study and the training and the witnessing that we should be about in our Association.

Have you ever ridden through our county on a beautiful Sunday morning? What did you see? Did you not see children out in the yeard playing, friends sitting on porches chatting, or meet vans full of people headed for lakes or pulling boats? All these scenes would be thrilling to behold, as we strive to strengthen families, but not at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning! This is the hour the whole family should be in their own house of worship learning to be better servants of Christ and being trained for leadership in our various churches for tomorrow.

In 1983-84 Polk Association attempted to challenge the churches to increase the Sunday School; to go out into the "byways and hedges" and compel the lost and indifferent members and friends to come and be blessed with fellowship and learning His will for lives.

We have tried to get our Assist Team going, but as yet we have not secured leaders in our various age levels. This is a challenge for the next Director and the churches. I pray the team will start working soon.

In March a worker from the State Sunday School Board, Mr. Phillip Stone, held a workshop at Mill Spring. Fifteen of our churches were represented and we were challenged to find NEW MEMBERS—NOT TO DROP NAMES—I trust that each church has tried to meet this challenge and that our enrollment is up. However, our average attendance has been low! Mr. Stone encouraged weekly visitations in order to boost our Sunday Schools.

Plans have been in the making for a Sunday School Revival in Polk! I trust these plans will go through in the future.

I appreciate most sincerely the cooperation of those churches who have visited, witnessed, and tried so hard to promote Sunday School. May God bless each church, and my prayer is that "Great Day In The Morning," October 28th, will truly be a GREAT DAY in Polk Baptist Association!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jack Weaver, S.S. Director

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT 1984

Church Training is a vital part of the total church program. Without proper training now where will we find leaders for the year 2000?

The literature is very good and easy to use. There are new modules available every year. The Survival Kits are helpful for new church member training. There is also available free literature for those churches who begin new church training programs.

We also hope to get started this year on our Children's Bible Drill and Youth Speakers' Tournaments.

Our "M" night program was held last year at the Faith Temple Church. We were delighted to have the meeting at our church. We had a very good representation present.

This year we are fortunate to have Mrs. Ara Baker to be our speaker for "M" night. The date will be November 6th at 7:30 P.M. at Hickory Grove Baptist Church. If you have not heard Mrs. Baker you have a treat in store. She brings a challenging Church Training message.

Respectfully submitted,
William Painter, Director

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT 1984

Blessings! We made it for FIVE years! We finally received ALL 20 Vacation Bible School reports, and we are grateful for this. However, the reports are not too encouraging. In 20 churches there were only 1,215 people enrolled. There must have been many children, youth, and adults that missed this wonderful opportunity for study. In VBS a foundation is laid for a child's life. It is an excellent time for revival among the children and youth. We have a record of only 18 professions of faith. Only one Backyard Bible Club was reported and this was done by the youth worker at Cooper's Gap with 15 members. The total mission offering was $974.81. Of this amount $466.81 went to the Cooperative Program and $508 went for other mission projects. A part of our theme for the past two years has been "Developing Believers." What better method do we have than through our V.B.S. and Backyard Clubs? Let's make the next year a GREATER year with double enrollment, double professions of faith, and many backyard clubs!

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Rogers, Director

BROTHERHOOD REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1984

Another year has passed and Brotherhood work in Polk Association has been active. Our men have been busy and I deeply appreciated every man or boy in every church who has given sacrifically of his time to help carry out the work of Our Lord. Two new Brotherhoods have been organized. We now have Brotherhoods in Pacolet Hills and Big Level, and it was my dream that by this time an active Brotherhood would be in all twenty churches.

I have attended two workshops at Camp Caraway this year, and also attended the Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest. The Baptist Men's State Convention was a highlight for me this year.

I made two trips to West Virginia to Beckley. On one trip we laid the carpet for the new church, and on the other occasion I attended the Dedication of the new church. Seeing the great need for gravel for a parking area at the church in Beckley our Brotherhood had a breakfast and raised $450 to match with the church in Beckley and gravel the yard.

It is rewarding to see what you churches are doing at our Nursing Homes in Tryon and Saluda. I do appreciate the churches who are helping this ministry. You bless many lives by caring, and I feel sure that you are blessed, also. Churches that are not involved-why don't you get involved? I hate to see you miss out on God's richest blessings.

The jail ministry has been wonderful. The churches that have participated can attest to the joys they have received over bringing the lost to know Him. Twenty-four people have made professions of faith this year. Is it worth it? I would think so-if only ONE came to know Christ as Saviour. I do appreciate all of you who have had a part in this.

Now we have plenty of work ahead! We have been helping to clear the site for our Associational Office and we have had some Volunteer labor for which we are grateful. There has been some wood sold, and I thank each man who came on Saturday to cut or clear the land. There is much more ahead! I trust each Brotherhood and each man will be available as much as possible.

Thank you, men, for all you have done in the past year! My prayer is that we shall continue to work in the months ahead in our churches and in the association to bring glory to Our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard Phillips, Director

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT FOR BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1984

It has been a pleasure to work with our Director of Missions and the women in the Polk Baptist Association this past year. I praise the Lord for each member of the W.M.U. Council, and I am grateful for the good work they have done.

1983-84 has been a busy year. Our first program was World Day of Prayer observed November 7th. The theme was: "We Are Family-We Are One." It is wonderful to be born again into the family of God. Both morning and evening programs were inspiring and well attended.

Later in November each church had its Foreign Mission Study. Then the first week in December was Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. These two activities were to prepare each church member for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Some of our churches had programs and activities to observe W.M.U. Focus Week in February. Also, during the month of February each church had its own Home Mission Study. By having the Foreign Mission Study and Home Mission Study in each church we are able to present missions to more church members.

Week of Prayer for Home Missions, which was in March, was in preparation for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

In May it was my privilege to attend the leadership (Key) Conference at Ridgecrest. For the next four years we are going to hear a lot about "Come Grow With Us." The goal for North Carolina W.M.U. is to double its membership by 1988.

The W.M.U. Council members attended a regional workshop at Fruitland Bible Institute in July, and in September we had our Associational W.M.U. Leadership Conference at Beulah Baptist Church. September was also the time for our State Mission Offering.

Many churches have individually been doing great mission action work. The Baptist Women of some of our churches have been joining with the Baptist Men in weekly services at Saluda Nursing Home and White Oak Terrace. Associational wise we have collected and delivered items for the Tornado Relief Fund. We gave a pounding for the Lawrence Stewarts to help with their work in Beckley, West Virginia.

There are one or more W.M.U. organizations in sixteen of our twenty churches. Let's pray that we can organize more age level groups in these sixteen churches and begin new work in the other four churches of our association. There is so much that needs to be done for the Lord and so little time remaining.

The W.M.U. emphasis for 1984-85 is: "By Love Compelled." Our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action "(1 John 3:18 TEV). This goes hand in hand with the 1983-84 emphasis: Partnership in Prayer and Ministry."

Our Associational Age Level Directors are ready to help you at any time. Please feel free to call on us for help with your needs.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, W.M.U. Director

MUSIC REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1984

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye land. All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto Thee; they shall sing to thy name. Selah." Psalm 66.

As David played on his harp and sang-so it has been down through the ages. Man can worship God through song and praises. Have you ever attended a service without some form of music? If so you must have come away with an empty feeling. Something was missing! Something was lacking, and you did not receive the blessing you anticipated.

Polk Baptists have been blessed this year with a good music program. I am deeply grateful for each of our churches whose choir along with the choir director helped us provide an inspirational part to our programs. These members of our choir had to spend hours of their time in transportation and practicing with our group.

During the year the Associational Choir enhanced our Revival services, and brought a blessing with the performance at our Associational meeting at Green River. A beautiful Easter Cantata was presented at Green Creek. "The Centurion" was a drama interspersed with beautiful music.

We have a wonderful fellowship, and have enjoyed one evening's fellowship hour at Green Creek.

As we look forward to another year of service please let me challenge all of the churches to participate in our Associational Choir. All of you have some talented people in your church that could bring Glory to His name through song. God bless all of you who have shared in this year's music program for Polk Baptist Association.

Let us look forward to a greater year in 1985.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Rogers, Director

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

During the past year Polk Baptist Association has been enriched by having two heart-warming revivals. In the fall of 1983 our Association met in the Mill Spring School auditorium and heard challenging messages nightly by Rev. John Revis, Evangelist, from South Carolina. The Associational Choir under the capable leadership of Mr. James Rogers sang nightly and made the services more meaningful. Many lives were touched and rededications were made. It was thrilling to see how well our churches and pastors cooperated in giving their time, money, and support during these nights. Surely many seeds were sown, and we can still reap the harvest as there are lost souls in Polk.

We have just finished some of the greatest nights in the history of Polk Association. Dr. Van Murrell, Religious Professor at Gardner-Webb, was our guest Evangelist, and I feel sure that no one could sit under his voice those nights and not be blessed. The revival was held at Green Creek Baptist Church and this host pastor, Rev. Jack Weaver, and all of his people were so warm and cordial that one felt revived. The Associational Choir was wonderful along with special music by the Price Family of Midway, the Cooper's Gap Quartet, and the Green Creek Quartet. Two added treats were: Mrs. Kim McFarland, and the Director's daughter. Again we appreciate very deeply many decisions made with one profession of faith. Likewise we are praying that many seeds were sown, and revival fires will come aglow in Polk!

Our baptisms have hit an all time low! This is alarming and seems impossible. When we are blessed so greatly what is the reason for this slump? People are out there! Let's keep the flames of revival burning that was started at Green Creek and let 1984-85 be the year of the GREATEST EVANGELISM EXPLOSION in the history of Polk Baptist Association!

May God bless each one of you as you resolve to bring many to Christ next year!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John Edwards, Chairman

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR 1984

Wiliam G. Tanner

Editor's Note: This article is the edited text of a speech presented by Dr. Tanner to the Board of Directors, Home Mission Board, August 1984.

More than anything else, my desire is that Acts 1:8 becomes a reality, not only in this agency, but in our Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) as well: "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth" (NASB).

I want to share with you some concerns that relate in a vital way to our continued mission effort. These are not profound statements. Rather, they are simple, honest observations that I hope will evaluate where we are as an agency and what we must do to fulfill our role in accomplishing the task that the Father has set before us.

Among the great principles around which we, as Southern Baptists, have established our spiritual strength are two that are extremely important. One, we have always subscribed to a Bible-centered, conservative theology. Two, we have always maintained a unity within our diversity.

Regarding the first principle, let me say that I am, unapologetically, a conservative. I grew up in a home, a church and a town that was extremely conservative. I went to a Baptist college and a Baptist seminary and studied with conservative professors.

While at Southwestern Seminary, I framed what constitutes for me the basic tenets of my faith. I can sum them up in several statements: (1) Jesus Christ, the son of God, was born of a virgin; (2) he lived a life of sinless perfection; (3) he died on Calvary vicariously for the sins of all people; (4) he bodily rose from the dead on the third day; and (5) some day, bless his name, he's coming again.

These statements are at the heart of my ministry. They also comprise the basic message preached by the early church. I came away from the seminary with a graduate degree in philosophy of religion and a great appreciation for knowledge; but I also came away a genuine, thorough-going, conservative Christian.

In *Evangelism: Christ's Imperative Commission* (Broadman Press, 1979), Roland Q. Leavell says that history is a testimony to the fact that God tabernacles among those who are missionary and evangelistic. When they cease to be missionary and evangelistic, God moves on to others who will honor his purposes.

God dwelt:

- Among the early Christians in Jerusalem for the first half of the first century until an anti-missionary debate deadened the spirit of the church, and He moved to Antioch.
- In Antioch until the last half of the first century; when worldliness and sensuality paralyzed the church, God moved on.
- In Ephesus and Alexandria during the second and third centuries until the Gnostic heresy supplanted the missionary spirit.
- In Constantinople from A.D. 330 to the sixth century when formalism killed the spirit of evangelism.
- In Rome from A.D. 600 to 1050 when theological decay buried missions.
- In France during the twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth centuries until Godless crusades and wars eclipsed missions and evangelism.

- In Germany in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries until theological controversies chilled evangelism.
- In Spain and Portugal in the sixteen and seventeenth centuries until western explorations and wealth exploited evangelism.
- In England in the eighteenth century until evangelism and missions lost to skepticism and rationalism.

In the nineteenth century the locus for missions and evangelism moved to America.

This sermon from history preaches one sobering message to Southern Baptists. It tells us we have no edge on God today. It also indicates that we can expect him to bless us as we are faithful to his missionary and evangelistic purposes. But, if for any reason, or for lack of all reason, we cease to be missionary, God will move on to others who honor him. God really doesn't have to have Southern Baptists. Rather, I think it pleases him to use us because he believes us to be faithful! If we are no longer faithful, in all probability, we will no longer be used.

REPORT OF RADIO AND TELEVISION MINISTRY 1984

Southern Baptists are fully aware of the great need to be on radio and television, under the leadership of Mr. Jimmy Allen, our director for our convention, many new things are being accomplished.

Baptist TelNet will be operated by the Sunday School Board. It will soon be programing on Missions, Stewardship, and other topics. Dr. Grady Cothen says: "I believe God has given us this great opportunity to use the most advanced technology known to man to do His work of sharing the Gospel with all people in this world."

North Carolina Baptists communicate through our video-tapes. There are many available through the state office in Raleigh, and the equipment is waiting for you in the Associational Office. Just order your tape and come by the office and pick up your equipment needed to show it. We have the equipment by means to communicate the Word of God not only to the lost, but to Christians as well. May Polk Baptist have a great year as a people of God, working **TOGETHER** for the cause of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Terry E. Pleasant

A REPORT FROM THE MEDIA CENTER FOR 1984

Polk Association is blessed with much good equipment. There are two T.V.'s with a Video, but the dust collects from not being used more. Each month there are new tapes and interesting films available from our centers, but this does not entice many of you to use them. The film projector and film strip machine are available. Also, there are good Modules for your Church Training programs. The library is not too well stocked but you can find helps in promoting Baptist work. There are also tracts and other materials for your just taking the time to drop by and pick up.

Respectfully submitted,
Millie Simpson, Media

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT FOR 1984

In a message from the President of the Annuity Board, Darold H. Morgan, he states: "The Annuity Board is a story of people helping people. Our motto is "Serving Those Who Serve The Lord." We provide relief assistance, insurance benefits and annuities to active, retired or disabled Southern Baptist missionaries, ministers, their widows and orphans. As the board has grown, we added the Memorial Fund and an Endowment Department."

The Southern Baptist Retirement Program protects the church and the employee by filling a financial void created by death, disability or retirement. When adequate contributions to the program have been made, the financial need is met, freeing the church to move on in its mission.

Both the church and its personnel are protected by traveling "ROUTE 10." What do we mean by Route 10? It means that each church will contribute, as a minimum, an amount equal to 10% of an employee's total compansation. This protects the Annuity Board's prescription for economic ills which hamper persons who seriously want to plan ahead.

When the church places its personnel on "ROUTE 10" it can be assured that the final destination is more adequate retirement income. The church can also be confident that the protection for these families against premature death or disability is readily available along the way.

In our Polk Association only 10 pastors are enrolled in this wonderful plan. We keep trying to encourage each church to protect the pastor and his family through "ROUTE 10." Won't you try this if you have not already begun?

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Hardin, Representative

REPORT OF COUNCIL ON CHRISTIAN LIFE AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

This has been an extremely busy year for the Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs. Through its three departments it has provided a variety of field service events and educational resources for North Carolina Baptists. June was promoted as World Hunger Month and our churches increased their giving significantly over that of 1983. The Council made available bulletin inserts, posters, world hunger calendars, and hunger banks.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAMILY LIFE

A wide range of family life events was led by the department's director. There were five associational or church-wide Family Enrichment Conferences; six marriage enrichment retreats; two area wide single adult seminars; and the Director received training at Ridgecrest in the new Family Ministry Parenting Enrichment model "Parenting by Grace." Two Family Life Conference presentations on marriage and parenting were videotaped for use by the churches of the convention through the Communications Department.

DEPARTMENT OF AGING

The department continued to expand its ministry with senior adults across the state. Twelve senior adult leadership workshops were conducted with more than 500 persons in attendance from 180 different churches representing 42 associations. Five conferences or retreats were held at Caraway with almost 800 people. Several "You and Your Aging Parent" seminars were conducted. The mailing list for "Contact," a newsletter for senior adults was greatly expanded. Senior adult ministries continue to grow rapidly in North Carolina Baptist churches and a new emphasis on the associational model for senior adult ministries has emerged this year.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

The work of Christian Citizenship Education has centered on two types of activity-voter participation and legislative information. Voter registration and turnout remain low. In May only about one third of those of voting age went to the polls. The Legislative Information Newtwork has continued to provide reports on the work of the General Assembly to about 800 contact persons in churches throughout the state. A Moral Concerns Rally in the South Roanoke Association helped alert Baptists to the growing menace of legalized gambling.

World hunger continued to be a matter of concern to many Baptists. June was designated as World Hunger month in North Carolina. North Carolina and Togo Partnership channeled food to the small western country of Togo. Secondly, the North Carolina Hunger Fund began to give assistance to churches and associations combating hunger here at home. Hot meals were provided for the elderly in Belhaven and food was available to migrants in rural parts of Wake County. North Carolina Baptists, like those across the Southern Baptist Convention, continue to give increasingly large amounts to help the hungry, but so much remains to be done. While our giving in 1983 was the highest ever (and is running even higher thus far in 1984), the average Southern Baptist's gift was less than 75¢ for the entire year.

RESOLUTION REPORT FOR 1984

The Resolution Committee presents the following resolutions:

1. Resolve that the churches in Polk Association express their appreciation to Columbus Baptist Church for their warm hospitality.

2. Resolve that we also thank the other churches that helped in making the evening meal a delightful occasion.

3. Resolve that we thank Rev. Boyce Bradshaw for serving as our Moderator.

4. Resolve that the churches of Polk Association express their appreciation to Rev. Jack Weaver for his serving as President of the Pastors' Conference and serving as Parliamentarian for our association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jo Anne Moss, Chairman
Mrs. Larry Stott
Mrs. Judy Jackson

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee recommends that the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of Polk Baptist Association will convene as follows:

Place ..... Midway Baptist Church
Time ..... October 24, 1985
Preacher ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant
Alternate ..... Rev. John Godfrey

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Paul Whitesides, Chairman

THE REPORT OF THE GENERAL BOARD FOR 1983-84

I was unable to attend the General Board Meeting in January.

In January the Stewardship Committeed reported having held Stewardship Conferences in 65 associations and furnished Stewardship materials to over 1,000 churches. They also reported the Great Challenge giving emphasis for small churches continues to be used widely and successfully.

In our May meeting these are some of the things that took place:

The Board received a progress report from the Search Committee from its Chairman, Lamar Brooks.

The Board approved the Planned Growth in Giving Task Force.

The Mission Committee requested that a committee be appointed to look into the area of new work and generating funds for new work.

The Committee on Social Service Institutions reported Bill Poole has announced his intent to retire as President of the Baptist Retirement Homes effective October 1, 1985. This completes his 25th year of service.

Also noted a full utilization of Baptist Hospital with an occupancy rate of 95-96 percent.

In our September meeting there were three big items of business that came before the Board.

1. The nomination of Dr. Roy J. Smith as our next General Secretary-Treasurer. He was presented to the Board by Lamar Brooks, Chairman of the Search Committee. The vote of the Committee and approval of the General Board was unanimous. Dr. Smith's nomination goes to the convention for approval at its annual meeting in November.

2. We dedicated a new addition to the Caraway Conference Center. The new wing has 22,000 square feet, and includes 33 new bedrooms and four conference rooms.

3. We approved a $24 million base budget for 1985. It will be sent to the state convention in Asheville for adoption. The new budget includes a 4.3 percent increase over 1984.

The various committees met and gave their reports on Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning. Some committees had recommendations while others did not.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Member of N.C. General Board

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT FOR 1984

God is so good to us in Polk Association. We have been able to accomplish some things this year, but in how many more areas do we need to do more?

Let us look at our four major organizations for a brief resume of accomplishments. The W.M.U., under the leadership of Mrs. Miriam Arledge has made such progress. Yes, this organization is moving steadily, but there are a few churches yet without any W.M.U. groups. Let's set our goal now-to have W.M.U. in all levels-in all twenty churches.

Brotherhood work, under the leadership of Mr. Howard Phillips, is moving forward. Many men have helped with work in Beckley, West Virginia, and with many projects at home. We appreciate all who have had a part at the new Associational site with cutting trees and clearing the site for our new location in Columbus. Both the Prison Ministry and the Nursing Homes Projects are moving along fine. We are grateful to Brotherhood, W.M.U., and churches which help promote this work.

Sunday School has much to do! Rev. Jack Weaver, our Director worked faithfully to help this weak organization. He secured Mr. Phillip Stone from the State State Sunday School Board to lead a Sunday School Rally in which fifteen churches participated. We had hoped and prayed for a great ingathering of new enrolles and longed to see enrollments soar, but such has not happened. Enrollment is the key to better and greater Sunday Schools and then to the entire church growth. Friends, this is alarming! I am worried about your church growth. We regret that Jack has left us but he has assumed the pastorate at Park Hills Church in Spartanburg, and our best wishes are for his continued success in the ministry.

We are fortunate to have Rev. Hartsell Grubbs assume the Director of Sunday School for our association. He is already making plans for added growth. Let's all cooperate and see if we cannot build up this vital area of our church.

Church Training, under Rev. Bill Painter is still moving steadily. We are grateful for the excellent studies that are going on in Midway, Hickory Grove, and some of the other churches. Bill and his wife attended the conference at Caraway and have more plans for Church Training in Polk!

In baptisms we are at our lowest ebb in years! If you read the above you might discern one great answer to this! We need people-"People Search." If they are not under the sound of our voice, how will they ever find the Lord? Our leaders need the cooperation of all of our churches. Let's resolve to have the best year ever in 1985!

Millie and I thank you for your patience with us the past year. We are grateful for the vacation you granted us. May God bless you each.

Marshall Simpson

MEMORIALS

Some of our loved ones have passed on over to the other side. We are grateful for their lives among us.

Beulah	Mr. Foch Edwards, Mr. Hubert Hudgins
Big Level	Mr. Earl Mehon, Mr. W. J. Blanton, Mr. T. B. Odel, Mr. Clarence Griffin
Columbus	Mr. Pete Lowe, Mr. William Hooker, Mr. Cline Maney, Mr. Ferris Hall
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Bessie Haynes, Mrs. Jennie Steppe, Mr. Gaither Jackson
Faith	Mrs. Maudie Cash Brown, Mr. Ernest H. Rhodes
Faith Temple	None
Green Creek	Mr. Horace Hodge, Mr. Herbert Page, Mr. J. L. Lancaster
Green River	Mrs. Edna Brackett, Mrs. Clara Owensby, Mrs. Alma Hines, Mrs. Johnnie Goode
Hickory Grove	Mr. Lee Green
Midway	None
Mill Spring	Mr. John Conner, Mr. Broadus McKee, Mr. Jesse Shehan
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Bessie Culbreth, Mr. Broadus Henderson, Mr. Ralph Henderson
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Rosa Winfree, Mrs. C. H. Lewis, Mr. John McClure
Pea Ridge	Mr. Wilford Price, Mr. Leo Carswell, Mrs. Watt Young
Peniel	Mrs. Millie Green, Mr. Harold Edwards
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Myrtle Bailey
Sandy Springs	None
Silver Creek	Mr. Roshell Arledge
Tryon Second	Rev. C. P. Burrell, Mrs. M. D. Newman, Mrs. Beulah Dill
Warrior Mountain	Mr. Kevin L. Byrd

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Representative

HISTORICAL EVENTS IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1983-84

Beulah	None
Big Level	A ground breaking service was held for a Fellowship Hall. The church has spent $43,759 on the new building. Two new deacons were ordained—Mr. Dwight Lynch and Mr. Bruce Odel.
Columbus	None
Cooper's Gap	Started two morning worship services
Faith	None
Faith Temple	Painted outside of church
Green Creek	None
Green River	Put a new roof on church-Paved the driveway at pastorium
Hickory Grove	None
Midway	New Fellowship Hall with kitchen and completely furnished with bathrooms, also. Playground and paved goals for children; Parking lot renovated; Grounds landscaped; and a baptistry secured.
Mill Springs	New furnace and air conditioning for church
Morgan Chapel	None
Pacolet Hills	Began a tape ministry to shut-ins and others.
Pea Ridge	Started a Children's Church; Built an addition to the church
Peniel	None
Pleasant Grove	Remodeling of the inside of church
Sandy Springs	None
Silver Creek	Started a tape ministry for shut-ins.
Tryon Second	None
Warrior Mountain	Extended parking lot

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1984-85

Beulah ..... Mr. Hugh Champion, Route 2, Box 192, Tryon, N.C. 28782; Mr. Hoyt Champion, Route 2, Box 37, Tryon; Rev. Dillard Davidson, Route 2, Box 150, Tryon, N.C.

Big Level ..... Mr. Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale, N.C. 28160

Columbus ..... Rev. Fred Rhodes, Box 485, Columbus, N.C.
Mr. Eugene Morgan, Rt. 1, Box 1220, Columbus
Mr. Hubert McIntyre, Rt. 2, Box 26, Columbus

Cooper's Gap ..... Mr. Henry Stepp, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Mr. Howard Phillips, Rt. 1, Lake Lure, 28746

Faith ..... Mrs. Judy Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756
Mrs. Pam Carswell, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C.

Faith Temple ..... Rev. William Painter, Box 213, Columbus

Green Creek ..... Mr. John Hanson, Rt. 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mr. Otho Swain, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782

Green River ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton
Mr. James Deck, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, 28139

Hickory Grove ..... Mr. Charles Pittman, Rt. 2, Columbus, 28722

Midway ..... Mr. John Gibbs, Blanton St., Columbus, 28722
Mrs. Pat Mills, Columbus, N.C. 28722

Mill Spring ..... Rev. Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring
Mr. Henry Huntsinger, Rt. 1, Box 563, Mill Sp.
Mr. Ted Pack, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756

Morgan Chapel ..... Rev. Steve Hardin, Box 271, Landrum, S.C.

Pacolet Hills ..... Mr. Kevin Chitwood, 113 Park Ave., Landrum

Pea Ridge ..... Rev. Terry Pleasant, Rt. 1, Mill Spring
Mr. C. T. Hudson, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, 28756
Mr. Kenneth Edwards, Rt. 1, Mill Spring

Peniel ..... Rev. Mike Davis, Rt. 2, Box 42, Tryon, 28782
Mr. Albert Durham, Rt. 2, Box 268, Columbus
Mr. Homer Pittman, Rt. 2, Box 1580, Columbus

Pleasant Grove ..... Rev. Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Ruth

Sandy Springs ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, 28139

Silver Creek ..... Mr. Boyce L. Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring
Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Route 2, Mill Spring

Tryon Second ..... Mrs. Frances Phillips, 209 Harrell Pl., Tryon
Mr. Roy Burrell, Box 814, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Rev. David Peterson, 101 McDonald St., Tryon

Warrior Mountain ..... Mr. Donald Byrd, 505 Warrior Mt. Rd., Saluda

MESSENGERS ELECTED FOR THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING FOR POLK 1984

Beulah	Mrs. Clois Jackson, Mrs. Edith Arledge, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kersh
Big Level	Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Lynch, Mr. Avery Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. General Haynes
Columbus	Rev. Fred Rhodes, Mr. Eugene Morgan, Mr. Joe Tallant, Mr. Curtis Peterson, Miss Opal Cloud, Mrs. Myrtle Masternick
Cooper's Gap	Mr. and Mrs. Howard Phillips, Mr. Henry Stepp, Mrs. Coleen Corn, Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Mrs. Glenda Jackson, Rev. Paul Stepp, Mrs. Shirley Gilbert, Mr. Calaway Dimsdale, Mrs. Frances Ruff, Mr. James Jackson, Miss Maude Gibbs
Faith	Mrs. Nettie Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Linsz, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
Faith Temple	Miss Pearl Gilbert, Mrs. Doris Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, Mr. Robert Painter
Green Creek	Mr. Otho Swain, Mr. John Hanson, Mr. Earl Swain, Mrs. Hattie Calton, Mr. Vailon Shytle, Mr. William Cantrell
Green River	Mr. and Mrs. Buford Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, Mrs. Doris Bradshaw
Hickory Grove	Rev. and Mrs. John Edwards, Mr. Grady Grigg, Mrs. Blanche Raburn, Mr. James Stott, Mrs. Peggy Stott, Mr. Wayne Denton, Mrs. Virginia Denton, Mrs. Tessie Stott
Midway	Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Price, Mr. and Mrs. John Gibbs
Mill Spring	Mrs. Ruby Jackson, Mrs. Mary Shehan, Mrs. Nannie Walker, Mrs. Gertie McKee, Mr. and Mrs. Broadus Fowler
Morgan Chapel	Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Laughter, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Holbert
Pacolet Hills	Rev. Aaron Pruitt, Mr. and Mrs. Hubern Chitwood, Mr. Kevin Chitwood
Pea Ridge	Rev. and Mrs. Terry Pleasant, Mrs. Ruth Russell, Mrs. Catherine Phillips
Peniel	Mr. Bob Holbert, Mrs. Louise Jackson, Mr. Charlie Wilson, Mrs. Evelyn Pittman, Mrs. Oma Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Champion, Mr. Ernest Jackson
Pleasant Grove	Rev. and Mrs. Benson Hodge
Sandy Springs	Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Mrs. Linda Jolley, Rev. Hartsell Grubbs
Silver Creek	Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Mr. Edward H. Arledge

Tryon Second .....Rev. and Mrs. David Peterson, Mrs. Mary Clement
Warrior Mountain.....Mrs. Delia Byrd, Mrs. Mary Gravely, Rev. and Mrs. Herman Bright

LIST OF PASTORS

BEULAH — Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782, 894-8688
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COLUMBUS — Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C. 28722, 894-8588
COOPER'S GAP — John Godfrey, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756, 625-4676
FAITH — John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756, 894-8063
FAITH TEMPLE — William Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722, 894-8881
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GREEN RIVER — Boyce Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, 28139, 863-4344
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MIDWAY — Wesley Price, Rt. 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722, 894-3255
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WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — Herman Bright, Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970, 692-8082

STATISTICAL TABLES

DIGEST OF LETTERS

IMPORTANT: This table is for use by the clerk in any way helpful. It is not to be sent to the state convention office or Southern Baptist Convention office.

NAME OF CHURCH	County	13 Total baptisms	14 Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	18 Grand total present members	21 Number of tithers	26 Church Debt
Beulah	POLK	0	0	258	35	0
Big Level	POLK	2	1	200	43	0
Columbus	POLK	3	11	427		0
Cooper's Gap	POLK	22	10	387	40	0
Faith	POLK	6	2	190	27	0
Faith Temple	POLK	1	0	78	28	20800
Green Creek	POLK	3	7	377	116	0
Green River	POLK	5	0	197	25	0
Hickory Grove	POLK	3	3	314	80	0
Midway	POLK	3	19	189	30	27000
Mill Spring	POLK	7	0	280	25	0
Morgan Chapel	POLK	0	7	215	35	1195
Pacolet Hills	POLK	1	3	104	14	0
Pea Ridge	POLK	2	0	157	25	24200
Peniel	POLK	2	1	248		0
Pleasant Grove	POLK	0	2	184		0
Sandy Springs	POLK	0	2	286	28	0
Silver Creek	POLK	2	10	293	36	0
Tryon Second	POLK	3	6	88	25	0
Warrior Mountain	POLK	0	0	75	12	0
TOTALS		65	84	3257	624	73195
TOTALS						
PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS						

66	71	85	97	113	123	128	139	150
Ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Church Vacation Bible School enrolment	Church Training enrolment	Ongoing Music Ministry enrolment	Ongoing W.M.U. enrolment	Ongoing Brotherhood enrolment	Total receipts	Cooperative Program	Grand total mission expenditures
79	68	17	44	24	38	35638	2621	7469
110	76	59	0	0	17	37378	6000	10499
186	53	15	28	75	45	88813	6613	13251
200	128	49	86	60	68	102856	7151	25079
105	72	53	18	32	9	31238	362	3418
45	33	57	17	14	0	13400	100	505
288	78	0	63	45	0	79210	4620	11827
108	47	0	25	9	0	43904	1150	4379
213	99	104	49	83	37	67332	4374	9573
107	78	120	57	43	25	64078	1040	6474
93	44	28	39	10	17	31006	1172	3172
72	55	23	27	25	17	39392	2507	4469
67	33	34	25	13	4	19331	580	2758
82	45	10	43	23	6	34528	200	2500
129	78	0	53	15	0	50521	0	6356
77	42	0	35	0	0	21620	159	1098
113	36	37	20	0	0	62399	3456	9273
137	89	42	40	27	16	43861	2100	6952
67	39	0	0	21	0	18395	1213	1947
64	42	0	19	10	0	20148	1200	3000
2341	1218	648	678	529	299	905047	46618	134099

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION YEAR ENDING September 30 1984 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Director of Associational Missions: M.R.Simpson

Address: Box 711 City: Columbus State: N C Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County
Beulah	Dillard Davidson,Route 2 Box 150,Tryon,28782	Polk
Big Level	Robert Lamb,Interim, Gardner-Webb College	Polk
Columbus	Fred Rhodes,Box 485,Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Cooper's Gap	John Godfrey,Route 2, Mill Spring,28756	Polk
Faith	John Rogers,Box 6,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Faith Temple	William Painter,Box 213,Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Green Creek	Jack Weaver,Route 2,Box 1742,Columbus,28722	Polk
Green River	Boyce Bradshaw,Route 4,Rutherfordton,28139	Polk
Hickory Grove	John Edwards,Route 2,Box 2933,Columbus,28722	Polk
Midway	Wesley Price, Route 1,Box 736,Columbus,28722	Polk
Mill Spring	Houston Moses,Box 36,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Morgan Chapel	Steve Hardin,105 Skyuka Circle,Landrum,S.C.	Polk
Pacolet Hills	Aaron Pruitt,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C, 28756	Polk
Pea Ridge	Terry Pleasant,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.28756	Polk
Peniel	Mike Davis,Route 2,Box 42,Tryon,N.C. 28782	Polk
Pleasant Grove	Benson Hodge,147 W.View Street,Rutherfordton	Polk
Sandy Springs	Hartsell Grubbs,Route 1,Box 20,Rutherfordton	Polk
Silver Creek	Lee Gregory, Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Tryon Second	David Peterson,101 McDonald St.Tryon,N.C.	Polk
Warrior Mountain	Herman Bright,Box 184, Zirconia,N.C. 28790	Polk
TOTALS		

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PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS

3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Total cost for heating, cooling, and lighting	Total church debt at end of this associational year
1886	1	X		0	0	2	129	129	258	0	0	60000	2572	0
1881	1	X		2	1	8	157	43	200	0	0	34500	1133	0
1857	2		X	3	11	6	300	127	427	2	1	35000	5764	0
1834	1	X		22	10	10	300	87	387	0	0	50000	3534	0
1967	2	X		6	2	2	149	41	190	0	0	65000	2080	0
1970	1	X		1	0	4	78	0	78	0	0	0	1200	20800
1800	1	X		3	7	6	296	81	377	3	1	67500	6024	0
1875	1		X	5	0	2	167	30	197	0	0	75000	1570	0
1906	1	X		3	3	6	221	93	314	0	0	60000	2300	0
1940	1	X		3	19	1	143	46	189	1	0	50000	3780	27000
1873	2	X		7	0	3	202	78	280	0	0	65000	4180	0
1909	1	X		0	7	5	135	80	215	0	0	50000	2229	1195
1949	1	X		1	3	3	65	39	104	0	0	0	0	0
1916	1	X		2	0	7	118	39	157	0	0	50000	1250	24200
1920	1	X		2	1	8	212	36	248	0	0	40000	3439	0
1934	1	X		0	2	12	146	38	184	0	0	0	0	0
1858	1	X		0	2	6	161	125	286	0	0	50000	5032	0
1840	1	X		2	10	6	208	85	293	0	0	30000	3614	0
1924	3	X		3	6	18	30	58	88	0	0	45000	2437	0
1933	1	X		0	0	6	40	35	75	0	1	0	835	0
				65	84	121	3257	1290	4547	6	2	828000	52973	73195

1—Open Country
2—Village (under 500 pop.)
3—Town (500-2499)
4 Small City (2,500-9 999)
Medium City (10 000-49 000)
5—Downtown
6—Neighborhood
7—Suburban
Large City (50 000 or more)
8—Downtown
9—Neighborhood
0—Suburban

TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1984 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Sunday School Director: Rev. Jack Weaver

Address: Route 2, Box 1742 — City: Columbus — State: N.C. — Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)
Beulah	Mr.Gene Green,Box 777,Columbus,N.C. 28722	2	3	15
Big Level	Mr. Bruce Odel,Route 1, Mill Spring,28756	3	10	13
Columbus	Mr.Jack Martin,Route 1,Box 15,Mill Spring	0	13	30
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Glenn Burgess,Route 2,Mill Spring,28756	6	10	36
Faith	Mr.William Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring	0	12	13
Faith Temple	Mr.Danny Painter,Route 1,Rutherfordton,N.C.	1	7	5
Green Creek	Mr.Huey Fagan,Route 2,Box 1648,Columbus	0	22	31
Green River	Mr.Buford Harris,Route 4,Rutherfordton,N.C.	0	10	14
Hickory Grove	Mr.Ray Pack,Route 2, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	30	28
Midway	Mr.Gene Dimsdale,Houston Road,Columbus	0	5	29
Mill Spring	Mr.Claudy Pack,Route 1,Mill Spring,28756	2	5	13
Morgan Chapel	Mr.Joe Foster,190 Gunning Rd.Tryon,N.C.	0	0	14
Pacolet Hills	Mr.Lewis Flynn,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	5	10
Pea Ridge	Mr.Preston Bowyer,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	10	12
Peniel	Mr.Dean Horton,120 Red Fox Road,Columbus	5	10	16
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Jerry Lawter,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	5	5	8
Sandy Springs	Mr.Leroy McCraw,Route 1,Rutherfordton,N.C.	4	9	9
Silver Creek	Mrs. Edward Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring	6	8	5
Tryon Second	Mr.William Whitmire, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	7	9
Warrior Mountain	Mr. Gary Conner,100 Earley Road,Saluda,N.C.	0	9	6
TOTALS		34	190	316
	TOTALS			
	PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS			

57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73
Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment—Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrolment—married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Bible Study groups enrolment	Total enroled in Bible Study	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number ethnic Sunday School members	Church V.B.S. enrolment	Mission V.B.S. enrolment	Backyard Bible Club enrollment
10	6	0	25	18	0	0	0	0	79	0	79	60	0	68	0	0
13	10	8	19	19	0	0	15	0	110	0	110	78	0	76	0	0
40	8	0	44	47	0	0	4	0	186	0	186	109	0	53	0	0
42	12	24	48	18	0	0	4	0	200	0	200	177	0	113	0	15
12	5	10	25	26	0	0	2	0	105	0	105	50	0	72	0	0
2	4	9	6	5	0	0	6	0	45	0	45	36	0	33	0	0
23	20	24	86	78	0	0	3	0	287	0	287	164	0	78	0	0
16	14	23	14	13	0	0	4	0	108	0	108	60	0	47	0	0
32	9	27	47	23	0	0	17	0	213	0	213	150	0	99	0	0
17	2	16	15	23	0	0	0	0	107	0	107	75	0	78	0	0
15	10	12	14	12	0	0	10	0	93	0	93	40	0	44	0	0
12	1	15	15	12	0	0	3	0	72	0	72	58	0	55	0	0
5	14	8	10	8	3	2	2	0	67	0	67	40	0	33	0	0
10	10	15	25	0	0	0	0	0	82	0	82	75	0	45	0	0
14	8	5	47	21	0	0	3	0	129	0	129	77	0	78	0	0
9	6	20	14	3	1	4	2	0	77	0	77	60	0	42	0	0
15	15	8	30	21	0	0	2	0	113	0	113	65	0	36	0	0
26	22	28	15	24	0	0	3	0	137	0	137	86	0	89	0	0
4	3	4	9	16	0	4	3	0	67	0	67	25	0	39	0	0
13	2	6	3	4	1	0	0	20	64	0	64	40	0	42	0	0
330	181	262	511	391	5	10	83	28	2341	0	2341	1525	0	1218	0	15

TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1984 (Month & Day) — 74

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Church Training Director: Rev. William Painter

Address: Box 213 — City: Columbus — State: N.C. — Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)
Beulah	Rev. Dillard Davidson,Route 2,Box 150,Tryon,N.C.	1
Big Level	Miss Allesia Bradley,Route 1,Mill Spring,28756	0
Columbus	None	0
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Russell Randolph,Route 2,#18 White Oak,Tryon	5
Faith	Mr. John Lynch, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Faith Temple	Mr. Jeff Reid, Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	3
Green Creek	None	0
Green River	None	0
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Elizabeth Burrell,Route 2, Columbus,N.C.	10
Midway	Rev. Wesley Price, Route 1,Box 736,Columbus,N.C.	8
Mill Spring	Mr. Ted Pack,Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Bernice Holbert,1520 E.Rutherford,Landrum,S.C.	0
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Diane Bradley,Springdale, Landrum,S.C.29356	2
Pea Ridge	None	0
Peniel	None	0
Pleasant Grove	None	0
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Olean Lail,Route 1, Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson,Route 2,Box 63, Mill Spring	9
Tryon Second	None	0
Warrior Mountain	None	0
TOTALS		38

TOTALS

PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS

75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Equipping Centers enrolment	N.C.M.T./Survival Kit enrolment	MasterLife enrolment	Other enrolment	Hold File enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Church Training enrolment	Baptist Doctrine Study Y=Yes N=No
2	2	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	N
5	13	26	0	0	0	0	12	3	0	59	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	15	N
11	6	25	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	49	N
3	8	40	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	53	N
1	2	17	7	0	0	0	25	2	0	57	N
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y
22	15	47	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	104	N
15	4	38	0	28	0	25	0	2	0	120	Y
4	6	15	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	28	N
6	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	23	N
5	7	10	0	0	0	8	0	2	0	34	N
0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N
5	15	16	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	37	N
5	5	21	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	42	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N
84	93	283	7	28	0	33	52	30	0	648	

TABLE D MUSIC MINISTRY — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1984 (Month & Day) — 87

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Music Director: Mr. James Rogers

Address: Route 6 Blanton Acres Spartanburg State S.C. Zip 29303

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)
Beulah	Mr. David Jackson,Route 2,Box 55,Tryon,N.C. 28782	2
Big Level	Mrs. Sue Toney,Route 1,Box 105,Mill Spring,N.C.	0
Columbus	None	0
Cooper's Gap	Mr.Joe Whiteside,Route 1,Box 72,Rutherfordton	4
Faith	Mrs. Judy Jackson,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Faith Temple	Mrs. Jean Painter, Box 213, Columbus,N.C.	6
Green Creek	Mr. James Rogers,Route 6,Blanton Acres,Spartanburg	6
Green River	Mr. Ricky Dale Evans,Box 293,Columbus,N.C.	0
Hickory Grove	Mr. Dennis Benton, Gardner-Webb College	0
Midway	Mrs. Patricia Case, Columbus,N.C.	8
Mill Spring	Mrs. Carol McKee, Columbus,N.C.	2
Morgan Chapel	Miss Anna Mathis, Route 1, Campobello,S.C. 29322	0
Pacolet Hills	Mr. Kevin Chitwood,113 Park Ave.Landrum,S.C. 29356	2
Pea Ridge	Mr. Earl Taylor,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Peniel	Mr. Bob Holbert,Route 1, Box 110-A Tryon,N.C.	0
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Lawrencee Bradley,Route 2, Mill Spring,N.C.	0
Sandy Springs	None	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Madge Phillips,Route 1,Box 165,Columbus,N.C.	0
Tryon Second	Mr. Roy Burrell,Box 814, Tryon,N.C.	0
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,505 Warrior Mountain Rd.Saluda	0
TOTALS		30

TOTALS

PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS

88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98
Children enrolment (6 8 years or grades 1-3)	Children enrolment (9 11 years or grades 4 6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Music Ministry enrolment	Music Ministry Average Weekly Ongoing Attendance
2	3	12	15	0	4	0	6	0	44	35
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	3	22	0	yes	0	3	0	28	28
4	7	15	35	0	7	0	14	0	86	70
0	0	5	10	0	0	0	3	0	18	12
0	0	0	0	0	8	0	3	0	17	15
7	8	4	30	0	4	1	3	0	63	40
0	3	3	15	0	0	1	3	0	25	18
10	6	10	20	0	0	0	3	0	49	40
11	4	0	25	0	5	0	4	0	57	52
1	2	5	25	0	0	0	4	0	39	20
0	0	0	23	0	1	0	3	0	27	20
4	4	3	8	0	1	0	3	0	25	14
14	0	10	19	0	0	0	0	0	43	30
0	0	6	28	15	0	0	4	0	53	33
7	0	0	15	13	0	0	0	0	25	
0	0	4	12	0	1	0	3	0	20	14
7	0	10	20	0	0	0	3	0	40	40
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	2	0	9	0	0	0	2	4	19	10
69	39	90	331	28	31	2	64	4	678	491

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1984 (Month & Day) — 99 — 100

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational WMU Director: Mrs. Miriam Arledge

Address: Route 2 City: Mill Spring State: N.C. Zip: 28756

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)
Beulah	Mrs. Doris Champion, Route 2,Box 40, Tryon,N.C. 28782	1	1
Big Level	None	0	0
Columbus	Mrs. Beth McCallister,Box 158,Lynn,N.C.	1	1
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Joyce Jackson,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	1	1
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley,Route 1,Box 1112,Columbus,N.C.	0	1
Faith Temple	Mrs. Eleanor Cantrell,519 Scriven Road,Tryon,N.C.	0	0
Green Creek	Mrs. Joyce Ridings,Route 2,Box 2378,Columbus,N.C.	0	1
Green River	Mrs. Doris Bradshaw,Route 4,Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0	0
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Marlene Fisher,5 Oaks Development,Landrum,S.C.	3	2
Midway	Mrs. Karan Wiggins, Constance Street,Columbus,N.C.	2	1
Mill Spring	Mrs. Ruby Jackson,Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C.	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Anna Campbell,Route 1, Tryon,N.C.	0	1
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Elsie Edwards,Route 1,Box 283,Landrum,S.C.29356	1	1
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Ginger Holbert,Route 1,Columbus,N.C.	1	0
Peniel	Mrs. Gladys Durham,Route 1,Box 266,Tryon,N.C.	0	0
Pleasant Grove	None	0	0
Sandy Springs	None	0	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Kenneth Williams,Route 2,Box 67,Mill Spring,N.C.	1	1
Tryon Second	None	1	2
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,505 Warrior Mountain Rd.Saluda	0	0
TOTALS		12	13
	TOTALS		
	PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS		

101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113
Number of Organizations					Enrolment							
Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H S graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
1	1	1	1	5	0	4	3	5	10	2	0	24
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	1	1	0	6	12	12	17	19	10	5	0	75
1	1	1	0	5	8	10	8	13	14	7	0	60
1	0	1	0	3	0	5	13	0	13	1	0	32
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	7	3	0	14
1	1	0	1	4	0	10	7	6	18	4	0	45
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	3	0	9
1	1	1	0	8	24	11	9	14	9	16	0	83
1	0	1	0	5	12	8	4	0	17	2	0	43
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	3	0	10
1	0	1	0	3	0	3	4	0	17	1	0	25
0	0	1	0	3	2	4	0	0	5	2	0	13
0	0	1	0	2	6	0	0	0	17	0	0	23
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	14	1	0	15
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	4	3	7	3	0	10	4	0	27
1	0	0	0	4	8	9	4	0	0	0	0	21
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	6	1	0	10
11	5	15	2	58	75	83	72	64	180	55	0	529

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1984 (Month & Day) — 114

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Brotherhood Director: Mr. Howard Phillips

Address: Route 1, Box 500 — City: Lake Lure — State: N.C. — Zip: 28746

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)
Beulah	Mr. Gene Greene, Box 777, Columbus, N.C. 28722	6
Big Level	Mr. Dwight Lynch, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0
Columbus	Mr. Ned Whitmire, Holly Hill Drive, Box 416, Columbus	8
Cooper's Gap	Mr. Howard Phillips, Route 1, Box 500, Lake Lure, N.C.	20
Faith	Mr. James S. Jackson, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.	0
Faith Temple	None	0
Green Creek	None	0
Green River	None	0
Hickory Grove	Mr. Wayne Denton, Route 2, Tryon, N.C. 28782	10
Midway	Mr. Gene Dimsdale, Houston Road, Columbus, N.C. 28722	6
Mill Spring	Rev. Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	4
Morgan Chapel	Mr. Roy Laughter, Route 3, Campobello, S.C. 29322	0
Pacolet Hills	None	0
Pea Ridge	Rev. Terry Pleasant, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0
Peniel	None	0
Pleasant Grove	None	0
Sandy Springs	None	0
Silver Creek	Mr. Charles Jones, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782	4
Tryon Second	None	0
Warrior Mountain	None	0
TOTALS		58

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PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS

115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123
Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrolment-Basic	Baptist Men enrolment-Prayer	Baptist Men enrolment-Mission Action	Baptist Men enrolment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
4	2	20	0	5	0	1	0	38
0	0	0	14	0	0	3	0	17
3	3	24	2	2	2	1	0	45
18	3	24	0	0	0	3	0	68
0	0	8	0	0	0	1	0	9
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	4	15	0	0	0	2	0	37
2	1	15	0	0	0	1	0	25
6	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	17
6	1	10	0	0	0	1	0	17
0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	4
0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	16
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
49	15	136	16	7	2	16	0	299

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING 9/30 1982[4]

Association (Month & Day)

POLK

State

North Carolina

Associational Treasurer

Mrs. Wilma Jolley

Address City State Zip

Route 1 Columbus N.C. 28722

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of undesignated receipts	23 Associational missions goal as percent of undesignated receipts	124 Undesignated gifts, offerings, etc.
Beulah	Mr. Hoyt Champion,Route2,Box37,Tryon,N.C.	35	8	5	32768
Big Level	Mr. Floyd Dyer,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C.	43	13	5	37378
Columbus	Mr.Hubert McIntyre,Route 2,Columbus,N.C.		10	2	75531
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Ailine Wilson,Route 2,Mill Spring	40	10	5	74859
Faith	Mrs. Judy Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring	27	5	4	23055
Faith Temple	Mr,Jeff Reid,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	28	2	1	7800
Green Creek	Mr. Bill White,Route 2,Box 1740,Columbus	116	0	0	73542
Green River	Mr. James Deck,Route 4,Rutherfordton,N.C.	25	4	2	38568
Hickory Grove	Mr. Otis Powell,Landrum,S.C.	80	7	4	62629
Midway	Mr. John Gibbs, Blanton St. Columbus,N.C.	30	5	5	41944
Mill Spring	Mr. Henry Huntsinger,Rt.1,Box563,Mill Sp.	25	5	5	24530
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Rachel Dill,Route 3, Campobello,S.C.	35	10	1	31570
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott,Rt.1,Box 283,Landrum	14	3	1+	16250
Pea Ridge	Mr. Kenneth Edwards,Route 1,Mill Spring	25			31626
Peniel	Mr. Albert Durham,Rt.2,Box 268,Columbus				50521
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Phillip Bailey,Route 5,Rutherfordton				19389
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Edna McCraw,Route 1,Rutherfordton	28	10	4	38117
Silver Creek	Mrs. Loyd Jackson,Route 2,Mill Spring	36	5+	4+	42609
Tryon Second	Mrs. Frances Phillips,209 Harrell Pl.Try.	25	7	3	15422
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Shirley Anderson,Box 194,Saluda,N.C.	12	10	5	12118
TOTALS		624			750226

125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135
Designated gifts, offerings, etc.	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
2571	35339	299	35638	0	3720	0	0	1512	10494	15726
0	37378	0	37378	0	12084	43758	0	2296	2292	58139
13281	88813	0	88813	0	39416	0	4264	2937	20451	67130
27997	102856	0	102856	0	22761	0	0	3432	4984	31177
8183	31238	0	31238	0	14537	0	0	1556	8424	24517
5600	13400	0	13400	0	5100	0	4400	100	1800	11300
4774	78316	894	79210	0	31598	0	0	2000	10305	43903
5336	43904	0	43904	0	21022	1752	0	1283	11911	35968
4391	67020	312	67332	0	30570	0	0	4000	26407	60977
8262	50206	13872	64078	30000	16376	36308	3157	1150	11552	68543
6476	31006	0	31006	0	10600	5886	0	1213	10032	27731
7822	39392	0	39392	2952	16645	5000	2225	703	8885	33458
3081	19331	0	19331	0	10835	0	0	746	6992	18573
1829	33455	1073	34528	25000	16514	47000	973	1557	6053	72097
0	50521	0	50521	0	17675	0	0	1162	2287	21125
2231	21620	0	21620	0	7725	10392	0	342	4331	22790
24282	62399	0	62399	0	19444	8712	0	675	13768	42599
1252	43861	0	43861	0	19560	0	0	2027	7000	28587
2628	18050	345	18395	0	6365	0	0	644	6237	13246
8030	20148	0	20148	0	3330	0	0	588	6000	9918
138026	888252	16795	905047	57952	325877	158808	15019	29923	181205	707504

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES — YEAR ENDING September 30 1984 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State:

Associational Clerk: Mrs. Jean Painter

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	136 CHURCH SPONSORED: Money paid out on new construction during the year	137 CHURCH SPONSORED: All other church sponsored mission expenditures
Beulah	Mr. Hoyt Champion,Route 2,Box 37,Tryon,N.C.	0	0
Big Level	Mrs. Emma Hicks,Route 1,Box 248,Mill Spring	0	0
Columbus	Mrs. N.L.Masternick,Box 73,Columbus,N.C.	50	0
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Pat McGuinn,Route 2,Box 634,Mill Spring	0	3534
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley,Route 1,Box 1112,Columbus	0	0
Faith Temple	Mrs. Doris Blackwell,Route 2,Box 18,Tryon	0	0
Green Creek	Mrs. Margaret White,Route 2,Box 2540,Columbus	0	0
Green River	Mrs. Pauline Henson,Route 1,Box 216,Tryon,N.C.	0	0
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Doris Steadman,Route 2,Box 1481,Columbus	0	50
Midway	Mrs. Patsy Mills,Box 393, Columbus,N.C.	0	0
Mill Spring	Mrs. Hazel Huntsinger,Route 1,Box 563,Mill Sp.	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Ann Fox, Route 1,Box 35,Campobello,S.C.	0	0
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott,Route 1,Box 283,Landrum	0	0
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Jeanette Rickman,Route 1,Box 337,Mill Sp.	0	0
Peniel	Mr. Bob Holbert,Route 1,Box 110A,Tryon,N.C.	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Thelma Bailey,Route 1,Box 206,Mill Spring	0	0
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Donnice T.Grigg,Route 1,Box 242,Chesnee	0	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson,Route 2,Box 63,Mill Spring	0	0
Tryon Second	Miss Jeabbie Burrell,Box 814,Tryon,N.C.	0	0
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,505 Warrior Mountain Rd Sal	0	0
TOTALS		50	3584
	TOTALS		

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138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150
MISSIONS		OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	State missions	SB Home Missions (incl Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	SB Foreign Missions (incl Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	SB Hospitals	SB Homes for the aged	All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
0	2621	1673	148	786	1001	0	0	0	0	1240	4848	7469
0	6000	2150	0	299	610	0	0	0	0	1440	4440	10499
50	6613	2641	72	1224	2650	0	0	0	0	0	6588	13251
3534	7151	3575	1029	3120	6120	0	500	0	50	0	14394	25079
0	362	425	325	299	1244	0	0	0	0	763	3056	3418
0	100	75	0	50	40	0	100	0	0	240	505	605
0	4620	825	139	408	2267	0	0	0	0	3568	7207	11827
0	1150	700	87	160	340	0	40	0	0	1897	3229	4379
50	4374	2499	331	717	1403	0	0	0	0	199	5149	9573
0	1040	960	0	300	352	0	0	0	0	3820	5434	6474
0	1172	805	145	400	650	0	0	0	0	0	2000	3172
0	2507	300	80	480	857	0	0	0	0	245	1962	4469
0	580	875	262	175	374	0	90	0	0	442	2178	2758
0	200	500	56	260	414	0	400	400	0	70	2300	2500
0	0	845	0	0	5191	0	320	0	0	0	6356	6356
0	159	600	0	0	0	0	255	84	0	0	939	1098
0	3456	1374	169	1024	2067	0	0	0	0	1183	5817	9273
0	2100	1800	750	600	1302	0	0	0	0	400	4852	6952
0	1213	494	0	100	140	0	0	0	0	0	734	1947
0	1200	600	300	200	350	0	0	0	0	350	1800	3000
3584	46618	23716	3893	10602	27372	0	1705	484	50	15757	84788	134099

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING September 30, 1984

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Moderator: Rev. Bo'ce Bradshaw

Address: Route 4 — City: Rutherfordton — State: N.c. — Zip: 28139

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year
Beulah	Mr. Hugh Champion, Route 2, Box 192, Tryon, N.C. 28782	3	1	0
Big Level	Mr. David Miller, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0
Columbus	Mr. Barry Miller, Thorne Ave. Box 445, Columbus, 28722	0	0	0
Coopers' Gap	Mr. Ted Owens, Peniel Road, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Faith	Mr. Jack Jolley, Route 1, Box 1112, Columbus, 28722	0	0	0
Faith Temple	Mr. Robert Painter, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0
Green Creek	Mr. Bill Calton, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139	0	0	0
Green River	Mr. James Deck, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139	0	1	0
Hickory Grove	Mr. Charles Pittman, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	3	0
Midway	Mr. William Mills, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Mill Spring	Mr. Woodrow McKee, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Mr. Dale Fox, Route 1, Box 35, Campobello, S.C. 29322	0	0	0
Pacolet Hills	Mr. Clifford Stott, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Pea Ridge	Mr. George Price, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0	0	0
Peniel	Mr. Homer Pittman, Route 2, Box 1580, Columbus, N.C.	0	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Alvin Bailey, Route 1, Box 206, Mill Spring, N.C.	0	0	0
Sandy Springs	None	0	0	0
Silver Creek	Mr. Boyce Jackson, Route 2, Box 63, Mill Spring, N.C.	0	0	0
Tryon Second	Mr. Roy Burrell, Box 814, Tryon, N.C. 28782	3	1	0
Warrior Mountain	Mr. Gene Anderson, Box 194, Saluda, N.C. 28773	0	0	0
TOTALS		6	6	0
	TOTALS			
	PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS			

31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53
								Does church have observe plan use etc ? Y N Yes No														
No other-type missions currently operating	No. New Sunday School Members	No persons completing witness training	($) Annie Armstrong Offering	Number of families committed to strengthen Families emphasis	N=none TV=TV R=radio B=both	Number of deacons	Number of active deacons	Missions committee	History committee	Language culture groups	Cooperative Program emphasis	Video player	Brotherhood Leadership Week	Seminary Extension Course	Expect to use TelNet	Weekly Workers meeting	Begin visitation program	Family enrichment project	Senior adults music activity	Library	B M T prayer activities	State paper in budget
0	0	0	786	0	N	8	7	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
0	0	0	299	0	N	9	7	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
0	0	0	1224	0	N	27	9	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
0	30	0	3120	0	N	22	9	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
0	4	0	299	0	N	7	6	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
0	0	0	0	0	N	5	5	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N
0	10	0	408	0	N	21	7	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
0	0	0	160	0	N	8	5	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
0	5	0	717	0	N	18	7	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
0	9	0	300	0	N	9	5	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N
0	0	0	400	0	N	7	7	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
0	0	0	480	0	N	13	5	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	4	0	175	0	N	5	3	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	260	0	N			N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	4	0	0	0	N	11	6	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	0	0	N	5	5	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	1024	0	N	8	7	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
0	12	0	600	0	N	12	7	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N
0	11	0	100	0	N	2	2	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
1	4	0	200	0	N	2	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
1	94	0	10552	0		198	111															

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POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA

1985

Midway Baptist Church - Established 1940

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

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OF
POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA

Meeting With

MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

October 24, 1985

Boyce Bradshaw, *Moderator*

Jean Painter, *Clerk*

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PROGRAM FOR THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Midway Baptist Church
October 24, 1985

THEME: *"Strengthening Families Through Prayer and Ministry"*

2:00	Call to Worship	Mr. James Rogers, Music Director
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. John Edwards
	Welcome — Host Pastor	Rev. Wesley Price
2:15	Declaration of 16th Ann. M.	Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Moderator
	Adoption of Program	Rev. Lee Gregory
	Presentation of Book of Reports	
	Introduction of New Personnel	Rev. Marshall Simpson
	Message of Challenge	Moderator
2:40	Business Session	Moderator
	Associational Budget	Mrs. Jack Jolley, Treasurer
	Annuity	Rev. Steve Hardin
2:50	Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter	Mr. Leroy McCraw
	Baptist Retirement Homes	Mr. Carroll Green
	Baptist Hospital	Rev. Bill Painter
3:20	Adoption of Reports	
	Hymn	Mr. James Rogers
	Special Music	
3:35	Annual Sermon	Rev. Aaron Pruitt
4:05	Break (10 Minutes)	
4:15	Hymn	Mr. James Rogers
4:20	American Bible Society	Rev. Herman Bright
	Christian Education	Rev. Wesley Price
	Baptist Student Union	Mr. Dennis Benton
	Christian Literature	Mrs. Donald Byrd
	Christian Action League	Rev. Aaron Pruitt
	Baptist Foundation	Mr. Jack Jolley
4:55	Missions	
	Christian Stewardship	Rev. George Lynch
	North Carolina Missions	Rev. John Rogers
	Home and Foreign Missions	Mrs. Judy Arledge
5:20	Reports of Organizations	
	Sunday School	Rev. Bob Philbeck
	Church Training	Rev. Bill Painter
	Brotherhood	Mr. Howard Phillips
	W.M.U.	Mrs. Miriam Arledge
	Music	Mr. James Rogers
	V.B.S.	Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
	Exceutive Committee Report	Mrs. Jean Painter
	Nominating Committee	Mr. Leroy McCraw
	Committee on Committees	Rev. David Peterson
	Historian	Mrs. Pauline Bell
	Hymn	Mr. James Rogers
	Time, Preacher, Place Report	Rev. Fred Rhodes

	Evangelism	Rev. John Edwards
5:45	Memorials	Mrs. Opal Edwards
6:00	Break for Evening Meal	

EVENING SESSION FOR THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

7:00	Hymn	Mr. James Rogers
7:05	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. Dewey Price
	Special Music	
7:20	Business (Additional and Unfin.)	
	Radio and Television Min.	Rev. David Peterson
	General Board Repres.	Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
	Director of Missions Report	Rev. Marshall Simpson
7:55	Resolutions	Mrs. Judy Jackson
8:00	Adoption of Reports and Program	
8:05	Polk Baptist Associational Choir	Mr. James Rogers, Director
8:30	Mission Message	
	A MESSAGE OF CHALLENGE FOR POLK BAPTISTS	Rev. Johnny Tiller, Pastor Pole Creek Baptist Church, Asheville
	Benediction and Prayer of Dedications for New Officers for 1985 - 86	

Thank you for coming to your sixteenth Annual Meeting at Midway! Thank you for challenging us to greater heights, Rev. Tiller. Thank you, Polk Baptists for the wonderful facilities which have been provided in which our Baptist work can emerge. If you haven't visited your building please drop by sometime.

Now there is no reason why our twenty Southern Baptist Churches can't move forward. We are praying that 1985 - 86 will be the GREATEST YEAR IN THE HISTORY OF POLK BAPTISTS! God bless you!

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Polk Baptist Association met for their sixteenth annual meeting on October 24, 1985 at the Midway Baptist Church. The theme for the year is: "Strengthening Families Through Prayer and Ministry".

The call to worship was: "Oh, How I Love Jesus" led by our Associational Music Director, James Rogers. The scripture and prayer were given by Rev. John Edwards. Rev. Wesley Price welcomed us warmly and extended the use of the church and fellowship of the people graciously.

Our Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, declared the meeting in session after which Rev. Lee Gregory moved for the adoption of the program with a second by Rev. Bill Painter.

Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions, was called to present the Book of Reports. He expressed his appreciation for the work done on the new associational building and also to the Mill Spring and Pacolet Hills churches for letting us use their facilities. He was well pleased with the increase in our Cooperative Program giving. He also said that the Sunday School attendance was up while other reports were down. Maybe some of these could have not been reported.

Rev. Simpson then recognized Rev. Dewey Price as the new pastor at the Mill Spring Church. He was welcomed into our fellowship.

Our message of Challenge was by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He used Acts 11: 27 - 30 as his text and spoke on the subject "Why Are We Here Today?" Rev. Bradshaw brought a challenging message about an association: 1. What is an association? It is a group of churches that are free and independent. We can either accept or reject the by-laws handed down from the Baptist State Convention. 2. What is our task? It is to act upon the business of the association. (a) We provide resources and services to the churches. (b) We train personnel at the Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest. (c) We work together in projects such as the jail ministry, nursing homes, associational revival and choir. (d) We nurture through the fellowship of the churches and our harmony in faith. Rev. Bradshaw then expressed appreciation for the work done by Marshall and Millie and for their encouragement during the past year. He also expressed appreciation for the ones who have worked with him during his three years as Moderator. There is still room for improvement in our association.

The business session was begun with the associational budget. Mrs. Jolley urged us to give more in the coming year to help meet our budget. She then moved for the adoption of the report with a second.

The Annuity Report was given next by the Moderator. He urged pastors to investigate the hospital plan if they are not already enrolled. He then moved for adoption of this report with a second. Voted by saying aye.

The Baptist Children's Homes report was given by Leroy McCraw who reported that the Youth Shelter in Forest City was doing a good job. The children are shown love and we as an association should try to send more contributions. He was thankful for all the work already being done by the Polk Asso-

ciation. Rev. Luther Osment also spoke to the report. First he presented a copy of a Commerative History of the Children's Homes in North Carolina for 100 years entitled: "One Hundred Years of Caring" to Rev. Simpson who accepted it for Polk Association. Rev. Osment expressed appreciation for the fine work done by our association. He stated that children from all kinds of situations are helped through Baptist Children's Homes. He shared case histories of the problems that have been taken care of through our facility at Forest City. He was very grateful for the binding together of three associations in the caring of 500 desperate, needy children at Thermal Belt Baptist Youth Shelter.

The Baptist Hospital report was given by Rev. Bill Painter.

The Baptist Retirement Homes report was given by the Moderator. Following these reports a motion was made to adopt all reports with a second. Voted by saying aye.

James Rogers led us in singing: "To Worship, Work, and Witness". He sang, "Let Me Touch Him" which blessed our hearts.

The annual sermon was by Rev. Aaron Pruitt, pastor of Pacelot Hills Baptist Church. He used as his text Luke 10: 38 - 42 and his topic was: "What Is Our Greatest Need?" - as parents, as indiviuals, as a community, as a nation, and as a church. Our greatest need is the power of God manifested in our lives. We must (1) not neglect the power of God; (2) be aware of the presence of the Lord; (3) be sensitive to the power of God; (4) We must also be separated and not cumbered with many things and be secure in His promise of eternal life. We should also be attentive to the word of God-waiting upon His instructions. We should be acquainted with the purpose of the Lord and know what His purpose is for our lives. Jesus death and resurrection was for the purpose of conveying God's love to us. We need to love each other and love the lost. His purpose has been laid aside while we have become encumbered with other things. If the presence of God is not in our services we are wasting our time and spinning our wheels. Rev. Pruitt closed his message with prayer.

Rev. Bob Philbeck was welcomed into our association as pastor of the Cooper's Gap Church.

Mr. Rogers then led us in singing a couple of hymns and Rev. Paul Burnett was introduced as Interim Pastor at Morgan Chapel.

The American Bible Society report was given by the Moderator as well as the Christian Education and Baptist Student Union reports. These reports were given immediately after a short break.

Mrs. Donald Byrd gave the Christian Literature report and asked that if any church does not use Southern Baptist Literature that this church should look into all the advantages. There are very good materials available. We need good literature to train leaders. The Biblical Recorder is an excellent paper that brings us the happenings in our convention. She expressed her appreciation for the churches that minister at Autumn Care.

The Christian Action League report was given by Rev. Aaron Pruitt. Rev. Bob Philbeck also spoke to this report, and about an upcoming gambling bill. He urged us to write to our legislators expressing our opposition to this bill. The Christian Action League works against gambling, alcohol, profanity, and pornography. He urged our support of the league and asked each church to

send an offering.

No report was given for the Baptist Foundation.

There was a motion made to adopt the reports with a second followed by the following missions reports:

The Christian Stewardship report was given by Rev. George Lynch. He urged us to give more to the Cooperative Program in the coming year for the spreading of the gospel throughout the world. He also moved for the adoption of this report.

The North Carolina Missions report given by Rev. John Rogers and he moved for its adoption, also.

Rev. John Rogers gave the Home and Foreign Missions report in the absence of Judy Arledge. He also moved for the adopption of his report. There was a second given and a vote by saying aye.

The organizations gave the reports as follows to the association:

SUNDAY SCHOOL — Rev. Bob Philbeck, Director, said that the organizational arm of the church is the Sunday School. He is very proud of our Bible based literature. It is the finest in the world, and many denominations use it. He also noted that Polk County is wide open for the gospel. We need to do more about scripture distribution, and we want to have a rally soon. We would also like to increase enrollment by 25 - 50%, and enforce the 10 - 90 Plan. Our theme for this year is: "You Make The Difference." We should work as a team.

CHURCH TRAINING — Rev. William Painter, Director, asked the churches that do not have Church Training to prayerfully consider starting a Church Training Program. It will enhance your church work and train leaders for the future.

BROTHERHOOD — Howard Phillips expressed his appreciation for the work of the jail ministry that we have in the Polk Association and also for the work at Saluda Nursing Home. We had the largest increase in Brotherhood of any county in the state. He presented staggering statistics about pornography and what it is doing to our country. He urged us as a people to band together to combat this situation.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION — Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Director. She reported a busy schedule for the coming year. The World Day of Prayer and the Foreign Mission Study are almost here. 1986 will be the Centennial Year for North Carolina W.M.U. From January through April 1986 will be 100 Days of Prayer leading to the Centennial Celebration. She asked that we strive to organize more age group level organizations. We have four churches with no W.M.U. Our theme this year is: "Multiplying the Vision."

MUSIC — James Rogers, Associational Music Director, reported that we only had 6 or 7 churches involved in the Associational Choir. He would like to see every church involved. He moved for the adoption of this report.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — Mrs. Dorothy Rogers announced that we had 100% of our churches involved in Vacation Bible School for the past 5 years. She was pleased about the many increases in V.B.S. in 1985. She also asked us to strive to have an adult Department in V.B.S. She moved for the adoption of this report with a second. Voted by aye.

The report of the Executive Committee was given by Mrs. WilliamPainter. She expressed appreciation for the good work done by the clerks and also

to the pastors for their support and help in getting the reports in on time. She moved, also, for the adoption of this report.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Leroy McCraw. There was a motion to approve with a second.

The Committee On Committees reports were given by David Peterson. He reminded us that the duties of the various committees are listed in the constitution. He moved for the adoption of the report.

There was no Historian report given, but the History of Midway Baptist Church is in the Book of Reports.

We joined together in the singing of the hymn "Footsteps of Jesus" after which Rev. Fred Rhodes gave the following report TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Our next meeting will be October 23, 1986 at Cooper's Gap Baptist Church. The preacher will be Rev. Steve Harding, and alternate will be John Rogers.

Rev. John Edwards gave the report of the Evangelism Committee by reporting the good results of our Associational Revival.

The list of the Memorials from each church was read by Mrs. Opal Edwards. A poem: "These Hands of Mine Shall Touch The Hands of God," was read by Mrs. Doris Bradshaw. Mrs. Melba Gregory led in our Memorial Prayer.

The Radio and Television Report was given by Rev. David Peterson. The Lord has given us a great Commission. This can be by means of Radio and Television. He thanked God for all the missionaries and for advanced technology that can be used for the Glory of God. He made a motion to accept the report with a second.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, our General Board Representative, said that the highlight of his term on the board had been serving in the new building and the dedication of the new wing at Caraway Conference Center, and working with Roy Smith, the new Executive Director. He moved for the adoption of the report with a second. Voted by saying aye.

Rev. William Painter led us in our prayer of Thanksgiving for the evening meal.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EVENING SESSION POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

After a delicious meal the meeting was reconvened for the evening business session. Rev. Lee Gregory, the Moderator for the coming year presided.

Jim Rogers led us in singing a hymn: "To God Be The Glory" after which Dewey Price led in our devotions using 1 Cor. 13. Our special music was a duet "I've Been Changed."

There was a call made for any additional or unfinished business.

The New Committee On Committees appointed by the Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw are as follows: Rev. John Edwards, Ch. Russell Randolph, and Rev. George Lynch.

Rev. Marshall Simpson gave the Director of Missions Report. He expressed appreciation for all the hard work involved in making the Associational Office a reality. He expressed appreciation for John Godfrey, Howard Phillips, and to Steve Hardin for laying the carpet. He had gratitude for pastors and laymen

who cut trees, did painting, and hung sheet rock, and to Wesley and Dewey Price for helping with the moving. He welcomed Rev. Bob Philbeck as our new Sunday School Director. There will be a Sunday School Workshop at the Associational Office on November 26th. We need to be concerned about the people that are unchurched and to be preparing for the Revival Crusade April 6 - 13.

He expressed a desire for the association to move forward in the year to come. He then moved to adopt the report.

Rev. Gregory as Chairman of the Missions Committee thanked Rev. and Mrs. Simpson for all the work they do above and beyond the call of duty both in labor and finances.

The Resolution Report was given by Mrs. Judy Jackson.

There was a motion for the adoption of the reports and the program with a second.

The Associational Choir led by Jim Rogers blessed our hearts with their singing. It was beautiful as usual.

Rev. Gregory expressed his joy in working with Rev. Bradshaw, the outgoing Moderator.

After singing a hymn we were blessed by the Mission Message brought by Rev. Johnny Tiller, pastor of the Pole Creek Baptist Church in Asheville. He spoke to us from Matt. 28: 16. The main points of his message were: (1) Command from above; (2) Cries from below; (3) Call from without; (4) Compulsion from within.

There was a prayer of dedication for the new officers, and this was also our benediction.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches. The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational

meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V — ORGANIZATION

SECTION I. The officers of the assocation shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptists Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nomination committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI — COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose of this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of $1.50 each.

SECTION II. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.

2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.

3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.

4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs for the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along

with the directors of each organization of work. The first three-mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to reccomend what action should be taken.

2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Artile I — RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article II — PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III — CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Director of Missions:

PART 1. Duties: The Director of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duty will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with

the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsiblity for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Director of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Director of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Director of Missions is permitted to conduct two one week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as he is physically possible. The services of the Director of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Director of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Director of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Director shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Director of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - SECTION II: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, more than 150 - 20 copies.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XV: Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVII (Committees): Recreation Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVIII (Committees): Youth Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE V - SECTION III: That the Associational Senior Co-ordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "a" before the "Music Director;" adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Co-ordinator."

ARTICLE V - SECTION IV: That the official title, "Superintendent of Missions" be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title "Director of Missions."

ARTICLE IV - SECTION II: (Reception of Churches) - Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from "The churches so received to "A newly established Southern Baptist church or churches so received" - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: "And older - established Southern Baptist Church or churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watchcare of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present."

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XIX: The following committees are to serve on a rotation basis: Audio-Visual Aids, Committee on Committees, Constitutional Changes Committee, Evangelism Committee, Memorials Committee, Nominating Committee, Ordination Committee, Place and Preacher Committee, Reception and Location of Churches Committee, Resolutions Committee, Recreation Committee, and Youth Committee. If the Committee is composed of three members one member shall rotate annually. If the committee is composed of six members two members shall rotate annually.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the Association shall be asked to pay at the rate of $1.50 per copy. Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies - 150 or less - 15 copies - More than 150 - 20 copies.

PART 6. Our Association shall be grouped into four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches shall join the association equal distribution shall be made.

Group 1 - Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Pleasant Grove, and Faith Temple.

Group 2 - Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, and Beulah.

Group 3 - Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, and Green Creek.

Group 4 - Columbus, Peniel, Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain.

Each group will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1985 - 86

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Lee Gregory
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. John Edwards
Clerk ..... Mrs. William Painter
Treasurer ..... Mrs. Jack Jolley
Historian ..... Mrs. Pauline Bell
Parliamentarian ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Pastoral Ministry Leader ..... Rev. Dewey Price
Director of Missions ..... Rev. Marshall Simpson

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

Sunday School* ..... Rev. Bob Philbeck
Church Training* ..... Rev. William Painter
V.B.S. Director* ..... Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
W.M.U. Director ..... Mrs. Miriam Arledge
Brotherhood Director* ..... Mr. Howard Phillips
Music Director* ..... Mr. James Rogers

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

American Bible Society ..... Rev. Herman Bright
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
Baptist Children's Home
and Youth Shelter ..... Mr. Leroy McCraw
Baptist Foundation ..... Mr. Jack Jolley
Baptist Homes For Aging ..... Mr. Carroll Green
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. William Painter
Baptist Student Union ..... Mr. Chris Mason
Christian Action League ..... Rev. Aaron Pruitt
Christian Higher Education ..... Rev. Wesley Price
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Donald Byrd
Christian Stewardship and
the Cooperative Program ..... Rev. George Lynch
North Carolina Missions ..... Rev. John Rogers
Home and Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Judy Arledge
Radio and T.V. Commission ..... Rev. David Peterson
North Carolina State
General Board ..... Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

**Previously approved by Association Executive Committee.*

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Chairman
Rev. Dillard Davidson
Rev. John Rogers

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT FOR POLK BAPTISTS 1985 - 86

NON ROTATING COMMITTEES

BUDGET AND FINANCE
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chairman
Consists of all Directors of Departments plus Moderator and Treasurer.
MISSIONS COMMITTEE
Consists of all Officers and Directors of Departments (Elects its own Chairman)
SPECIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Chairman
Rev. William Painter
Mr. Carroll Green
PROGRAM and CALENDAR
General Officers and Heads of Departments
ASSOCIATIONAL SENIOR COORDINATOR
Mr. Carroll Green
TRUSTEES
Mr. Jack Jolley
Mr. Ted Owens
Mr. Earl Taylor
MEDIA CENTER DIRECTOR
Mrs. Millie Simpson

ROTATING COMMITTEES

EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE
(1986) Rev. John Edwards
(1987) Rev. Benson Hodge
(1988) Rev. Dewey Price (C.)
CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES
(1986) Rev. Steve Hardin
(1987) Mr. Ted Owens (C.)
(1988) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
EVANGELISM COMMITTEE
(1986) Rev. Everette Wallace
(1987) Rev. Wesley Price (C.)
(1988) Rev. David Peterson
(1988) Rev. Bob Philbeck
NOMINATING COMMITTEE
(1986) Mr. Leroy McCraw (C.)
(1987) Rev. John Rogers
(1988) Mr. Boyce Jackson
ORDINATION COMMITTEE
(1986) Rev. Aaron Pruitt
(1986) Mr. Eugene Champion
(1987) Rev. John Edwards (C.)
(1987) Rev. Mike Davis
(1988) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
(1988) Rev. Benson Hodge

PLACE AND PREACHER
(1986) Rev. Fred Rhodes
(1987) Rev. Steve Hardin
(1988) Rev. Mike Davis (C.)

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE
(1986) Mrs. Judy Jackson
(1987) Mrs. Miriam Arledge (C.)
(1988) Mr. John Hanson

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE
(1986) Mrs. Melba Gregory (C.)
(1987) Mrs. Doris Bradshaw
(1988) Mrs. Jo Ann Moss

RECREATION COMMITTEE
(1986) Mr. Norman Morgan
(1987) Mr. Joe Owensby (C.)
(1988) Mrs. Jody Shytle

YOUTH COMMITTEE
(1986) Mrs. Nell Bennett
(1986) Mrs. Jody Shytle
(1987) Mrs. Kim McFarland (C.)
(1987) Mr. Dennis Benton
(1988) Rev. Bill Painter
(1988) Mr. Chris Mason

RECEPTION and LOCATION of NEW CHURCHES
(1986) Rev. David Peterson
(1987) Rev. Boyce Bradshaw (C.)
(1988) Rev. Herman Bright

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE
(1986) Mrs. Millie Simpson
(1986) Mr. Bill Calton
(1987) Mrs. Jody Shytle
(1988) Mr. Jack Jolley (C.)
(1988) Mr. Howard Phillips

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. David Peterson, (C.)
Rev. Aaron Pruitt
Mr. John Hanson

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1984 - 85

Beginning Balance on October 1, 1984		$11,803.03
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Regular	$24,814.22	
World M. Conf.	1,725.00	
B. Fund	6,261.31	
Landscaping	300.00	
Assoc. Doors	500.00	
Lectern	130.00	
W. Virginia	935.00	
Revival	505.00	
Howard Phillips	550.62	
World Hunger	120.00	
W. Mission Conf. Love Off.	1,435.18	
Total	$ 35,841.15	
OTHER:		
State Convention	$1,874.94	
Revival Offering	235.53	
Simpsons	2,276.00	
W.M.U. (Furniture)	339.00	
Flowers	35.00	
B. Fund Refund	78.70	
B. Fund (Wood Sales)	30.00	
A.E. and Ruth Morgan (B.F.)	100.00	
A.E. and Ruth Morgan (landscaping)	100.00	
Rev. and Mrs. Curtis Peterson	50.00	
Earl Chatham (B. Fund)	100.00	
Brotherhood (Door)	55.21	
Cooper's Gap (Men's Bible C.)	125.00	
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Byrd (Door)	130.00	
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Phillips	250.00	
Land Payment	7,500.00	
Total	$13,279.38	

Total Contributions	$49,120.53
To Be Accounted For	60,923.56
Less General Expenses	27,170.39
Balance	$33,753.17
Nationwide Certificate (Redeemed)	15,000.00
Note	10,000.00
Transfer From Savings	16,000.00
Balance in Building Fund	1,435.78
Total	$76,188.95
Less Building Fund Expenses	58,924.84
Balance	$17,264.11
Less Landscaping	1,993.25

Balance	$15,290.86
Less Equipment	4,225.97
Balance	$11,044.89
Less Note Payment	4,580.00
Balance General Fund Sept. 30, 1985	$6,464.89
NCNB Savings Account	$2,116.55
General Fund	1,500.63
Building Fund	$615.92

Nationwide Certificate Youth Fund	$4,502.03
Nationwide Certificate Building Fund	116.80

E.C. Burnette donated $100 on Landscaping.

EXPENSES FOR GENERAL FUND FOR 1984 - 85.

Salary	$5,175.00
Secretary	4,369.92
Utilities	2,415.00
Petty Cash	500.00
Mill Spring First For Office Space	300.00
Water	194.00
Telephone	734.30
Duke Power	507.29
Janitor and Supplies	167.72
Annuity	977.79
W.M.U.	200.54
Brotherhood	356.62
Church Training	50.00
Sunday School	84.50
V.B.S.	123.94
Youth Program	300.00
Office Equip. and Repairs	134.07
Annual Minutes	892.50
Rev. Keith Lancaster - Assoc. Speaker	100.00
Travel	175.60
Florist	106.13
Checks	42.25
Christmas Gifts (Simpsons)	500.00
West Virginia Mission	1,100.40
Thermal Belt Youth Shelter	600.00
Ethopia Hunger Relief	120.00
Love Offering - Howard Phillips	806.00
Dr. George Shore - Dedication Speaker	50.00
Transfer From Conv. Exp. to Equipment	1,000.00
World Mission Conference Expense	1,863.82
World Mission Conf. Love Offering	1,300.00
Revival Expenses 1984 - 85	151.50
Dr. Van Murriel, Evangelist	500.00
James Rogers, 1984 - 85 Choir Director	200.00
Leslie Bush, 1984 - 85 Pianist	200.00
Marlene Fisher 1984 - Organist	100.00

Dr. Alastair Walker - 1985 - Evangelist	400.00
Nationwide Insurance for Building	372.50
Total	$27,170.39

EXPENSES FOR THE BUILDING FOR 1984 - 85

Lowe's - Materials	$3,275.60
Lowe's - Range, Refrigerator, and Dish Washer	1,296.82
Jerry Toney	3,217.00
Stepp Construction	1,510.00
Shadrack Tanner	300.00
Pruitt Remodeling	97.50
Thompson - Construction	685.10
Neely's	3,169.71
Robbins - Brick and Block, Inc.	3,264.35
Metromont	467.70
Sherman Williams Paint Co.	68.71
Tryon Lumber Company	2,181.59
Tri-City Concrete, Inc.	951.86
Sam Martin - Guttering	310.00
Johnny Foster - Boxing Eaves and Sheet Rock	6,163.95
E.W. Carswell	3,500.00
Earl Chatham (Cabinets)	1,927.50
Tri County Heating and Air Conditioning	6,850.00
Oscar Hipp - Insulating	556.00
Robbins Painting & Carpet Co.	3,268.88
Henson Timber Products Corp.	4,941.83
Brock Plumbing	3,604.84
Hardin Floor & Tile Service	925.00
Clement Lumber Co.	538.01
Stott's Electric	2,746.34
Bradshaw & Hayes	1,328.00
Gary Lee	50.00
H. Phillips (Reimbursement for materials)	1,657.91
Blinds	70.44
Total	$58,924.84

EQUIPMENT:

40 Chairs and Desk	$902.00
Copier	2,100.00
Chairs and Tables	1,223.97
Total	$4,225.97

LANDSCAPING:

2 Office Signs	$236.25
Greene - Landscaping	1,142.00
Burnette Construction	285.00
Don Greenway	330.00
Total	$1,993.25
Payment on Note	$4,580.00

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1984 - 85

CHURCH	REGULAR	W.M. CON	B. FUND	W. VA.	LANDSC.	ASSOC. D	REVIVAL	H. PHILLIPS	W. HUNGER	W.M.C. LOVE OF
Beulah	1,331.49			180.00		125.00	50.00			
Big Level	2,160.00	150.00					25.00	27.72		133.61
Columbus	1,928.00	150.00	174.00					10.00		
Cooper's Gap	5,035.10	150.00	3,057.00				50.00	82.55		195.00
Faith	1,135.50	150.00	158.78			125.00	55.00	64.00		100.00
Faith Temple		75.00	50.00							63.03
Green Creek	999.96	150.00		50.00	300.00		75.00			116.00
Green River	700.00	150.00	325.05					22.60		197.04
Hickory Grove	2,484.41	150.00	500.00				50.00	42.25	120.00	81.00
Midway	1,200.00	150.00	200.00			Lectern 130.00	50.00	23.00		100.00
Mill Spring	575.31		67.00					60.00		
Morgan Chap.	300.00	150.00	172.00			125.00	25.00	35.00		89.15
Pacolet H.	185.00		314.25				25.00	38.50		72.00
Pea Ridge	500.00		27.23				25.00			
Peniel	700.00			500.00						
Pleasant Grove	650.00		200.00							
Sandy Springs	1,492.00	150.00	90.00	40.00				54.00		162.35
Silver Creek	1,800.00	150.00	750.00				50.00	25.00		126.00
Tryon Second	437.45		176.00				25.00	36.00		
Warrior Mount.	1,200.00			165.00		125.00		30.00		
TOTALS	$24,814.22	$1,725.00	$6,261.31	$935.00	$300.00	$630.00	$505.00	$550.62	$120.00	$1,435.18

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1985 - 86

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:

Sunday School	$300.00
Church Training	250.00
W.M.U.	500.00
V.B.S.	350.00
Brotherhood	400.00
Music	400.00
Associational Speakers	200.00
Associational Minutes	1,000.00
Evangelism	500.00
Video Tapes, Films, etc.	300.00
Youth Program	300.00
TOTAL	$4,500.00

II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:

Insurance	$500.00
Printing and Supplies	700.00
Telephone, Water, Lights	2,600.00
Petty Cash, Postage	700.00
Janitorial Service	1,400.00
TOTAL	$5,900.00

III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES

Salary	$5,700.00
Secretary	4,800.00
Utilities and Housing	2,700.00
TOTAL	$13,200.00

IV. OTHER EXPENSES

Southern, State, Env. Conf.	$800.00
Annuity	1,200.00
Christmas Gifts:	
Director of Miss.	300.00
Secretary	200.00
Youth Shelter	600.00
Associational Travel	
20¢ per Mile	400.00
Miscellaneous	700.00
TOTAL	$4,200.00
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET	$27,800.00

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Chair.
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Rev. Bill Painter
Mr. Howard Phillips
Mrs. Jean Painter

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
February 3, 1985

The Executive Committee of the Polk Baptist Association met at the Mill Spring Church on February 3, 1985 at 2:30 P.M.

Our devotional was led by Rev. Terry Pleasant. He urged us to be drawn closer together in fellowship and love - both pastors and laymen. Prayer followed led by Rev. Pleasant.

Rev. Marshall Simpson introduced the following Interim pastors: Rev. Dewey Price - Mill Spring First Baptist and Rev. Ernest Howell - Cooper's Gap Baptist Church. The clerk called the roll of churches. 15 churches were represented. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Moderator then called for reports from the Associational Directors. None were given. He then called for the reports from the various committees. The first quarterly report of the Financial Committee was given by Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Treasurer, and approved.

The Committee on Committees report was given by Rev. David Peterson. The following vacancies and changes were approved: EVANGELISM COMMITTEE, Terry Pleasant, Chairman, and Wesley Price added; RECREATION COMMITTEE, Joe Owensby; PLACE AND PREACHER COMMITTEE, Mike Davis.

There was a call for miscellaneous reports. The Building Committee Chairman, Howard Phillips, brought the following report: We have spent $40,972.13 in the period of October 1 - December 31, and $7,538.72 during the month of January. The following bills were yet to be paid: plumbing, electricity, and heating for a total of $12,800. The Committee has set March 15th as the target date for completion. Mr. Phillips asked if money could be transferred from the General Fund into the Building Fund instead of borrowing money for the completion of the building. There was a motion made to give Mrs. Jolley the authority to transfer said funds with the amendment that we use the $2,000.00 that we receive from the state convention for equipment. There was a second to the motion with the amendment so stated: Voted by saying aye - voted on the first motion by uplifted hands.

Rev. Marshall Simpson reminded us of the World Mission Conference to be held April 25 - 28. He informed us of some of the missionaries that would be here and urged us to start planning and preparing for the missionaries now. Each church will need the following committees: Transportation, Hospitality, Promotion and a Secretary.

Rev. Terry Pleasant announced that he would like to meet with the Evangelism Committee following the meeting.

Rev. William Painter expressed his appreciation for the support that he had on "M" night and for all those who heard Mrs. Baker.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter,
Associational Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
April 21, 1985

The Polk Baptist Association Executive Committee held the first meeting at the new associational office on April 21, 1985 at 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Lee Gregory. Prayers of Thanksgiving were given by Mr. Leroy McCraw and Rev. William Painter.

The Clerk called the roll of churches and read the minutes of the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read. The following Associational Reports were given:

BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR - Howard Phillips reported the wonderful work of the jail ministry and the conversion of three.

CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTOR - Rev. William Painter asked if anyone was interested in having a Bible Drill in their church.

Rev. David Peterson, Chairman of Committee on Committees, presented the following changes and recommendations:

Ted Owens to fill the vacancy on the Constitutional Change Committee; Aaron Pruitt to fill the vacancy on the Ordination Committee. The Landscape Committee will be: Jack Jolley, Chairman; William Calton, Jody Shytle, Delbert Case, and Millie Simpson. The vote was by uplifted hands.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Howard Phillips asked about the care of the building, and it was decided that the Trustees secure someone to clean.

Howard Phillips, Chairman of the Building Committee, went over the details of the expenditures for the building and expressed thanks to God for the building and all the people who gave their time and effort for its completion. We have borrowed $10,000 by the authority of the Executive Committee and owe $573 in outstanding debts.

Rev. Gregory expressed his appreciation to Howard for his work. Rev.Simpson also expressed thanks to Howard and all who helped. Rev. Simpson stressed the World Mission Conference and urged the churches to have some one pick up the speakers each evening. He also stressed the Youth Rally at Hickory Grove on Saturday.

Rev. Gregory reported that this meeting would serve for the regular May meeting. This was approved.

Rev. Aaron Pruitt gave the benediction.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Painter, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
August 4, 1985

The Executive Committee met at the Polk Baptist Associational Office on Sunday afternoon, August 4, 1985 at 2:30 P.M. The Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, called the meeting to order and gave the devotional.

In the absence of the clerk, Rev. Bob Philbeck was asked to take the minutes. There were no minutes read or a roll call of churches.

The following reports were made:

Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Treasurer, passed out copies of the Proposed Budget for 1985 - 86. This budget was accepted by the Executive Committee.

Mr. Howard Phillips, Brotherhood Director, thanked the churches for all the work they had done at the Nursing Homes and the jail. He praised Morgan Chapel especially for helping with the outside hamburger supper at White Oak Terrace on July 4. Mr. Phillips also asked for $100 contribution for some of the jail ministry in Hendersonville. These ministries help in rehabilitation of those released. The Executive Committee approved this request.

The Executive Committee went on record as to an application of $2000 aid for the year 1985 - 86.

The Committee also went on record with a unanimous vote to oppose the two referendums that will be presented to Columbus voters on Saturday, September 7th concerning the sale of beer and wine. A letter will be sent to the Thermal News.

The Nominating Committee presented the following directors for Polk Baptist Association 1985 - 86:

Sunday School - Rev. Bob Philbeck
Church Training - Rev. Bill Painter
W.M.U. - Mrs. Miriam Arledge
V.B.S. - Mrs. Dorothy Rogers
Brotherhood - Mr. Howard Phillips
Music Director - Mr. Jim Rogers

These were unanimously approved. Rev. Simpson encouraged all families to be present for Pastors and Wives Supper on Saturday night at 5:00 P.M. Pastors will have a short meeting, and wives will organize. He also stressed Dedication Sunday, August 15th. Dr. George Shore will be guest speaker.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Philbeck, for Clerk

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1985 - 86

November 3	Gardner-Webb College Ministerial Day
November 3 - 10	Royal Ambassador Week in Churches
November 4	World Day of Prayer-Two Sessions-10:00 A.M. & 7:00 P.M. at the Associational Office. Covered dish meal at noon.
November 4	Pastors "Conference at 7:30 P.M. at Association Office.
November 9 - 10	Baptist Men's Convention
November 11 - 13	North Carolina Baptist State Convention - Charlotte
November 17 - 20	Foreign Mission Study at churches
November 25	"M" night at Beulah Baptist Church at 7:00 P.M.
November 28	Thanksgiving Day
December 1 - 8	Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions - Lottie Moon Offering
December 9	Pastors' Families Fellowship supper-Association Office
December 22	Student Day at Christmas
December 25	Christmas Day
January 6	Pastors' Conference at Association Office at 7:30 P.M.
January 8	100th Anniversary of North Carolina W.M.U. and Beginning of 100 Days of Prayer. Birthday parties in churches
January 10 - 11	Associational Church Training Teams (Enablers) at Caraway Conference Center
January 12	Witness Commitment Day
January 26	Baptist Men's Day
January 28 - 29	General Board Meeting at Caraway
January 29 - 30	Directors of Missions Conference at Caraway
February 2	Executive Committee Meeting - Association Building, 2:30 P.M.
February 3 - 4	Statewide Evangelism Conference at Greensboro
February 9 - 15	W.M.U. Focus Week (Special recognition for age groups)
February 10	Pastors and Wives Fellowship Supper - Association Building
February 12	Church Training Doctrinal Seminar, Gardener-Webb
February 16 - 19	Home Mission Study in Churches Annie Armstrong Prep.
February 17 - 18	Mountain Pastors' Workshop - Ridgecrest (24 hour Retreat)
February 21 - 22	N.C. Baptist Men's Board Meeting - Caraway
February 24 - 26	Planned Growth in Giving - Caraway
March 2 - 9	Week of Prayer for Home Missions - Annie Armstrong Offering
March 3	Pastors' Conference - Association Building - 7:30 P.M.
March 9 - 16	Youth Week in the Churches
March 10 - 11	Mountain Directors of Missions Conf. at Lake Junaluska
March 13 - 14	Vacation Bible School Clinics (West)
March 16	Youth Sunday in Churches
March 30	Easter Sunday
April 6 - 13	Good News America, God Loves You Revivals
April 7	Pastors' Conference - Association Office - 7:30 P.M.
April 11 - 12	Church Media - Library Conference Caraway
April 17 - 19	W.M.U. Annual Session Civic Center, Raleigh
April 20	Brotherhood Breakfast for Assoc. at the Building
April 20	Cooperative Program Day

May 4	Executive Committee Meeting - Polk Baptist Association - 2:30 P.M.
May 4 - 11	Christian Home Week
May 5	Pastors' Conference at the Association Office - 7:30 P.m.
May 6 - 7	Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute Founder's Day
May 11	Mother's Day
May 12 - 14	Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest
May 14 - 16	Senior Adult Conference at Caraway
May 19 - 25	Associational Emphasis Week
May 27 - 28	General Board Meeting
June 8 - 9	W.M.U. of S.B.C. Annual Meeting at Atlanta, Georgia
June 12 - 18	Music Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest
June 10 - 12	Southern Baptist Convention at Atlanta, Georgia
June 15	Father's Day
June 30 - July 4	Week of Christian Study and Fellowship - Mars Hill College
June 30 - July 6	W.M.U. Conference at Ridgecrest
July 7 - 11	Children's Choir Camp at Mars Hill College
July 11	Youth Evangelism Crusade at Greensboro
July 12 - 18	Church Training Leadership Week at Ridgecrest
July 21 - 23	Associational Directors of Missions Meeting - Wingate
July 25 - 26	Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Council at Fruitland
July 28 - 30	Ministers' Wives Retreat
August 3	Executive Committee Meeting at the Association Office at 7:30 P.M.
August 7 - 9	Sunday School Leadership Training Mini-week at Caraway
August 15 - 16	Lay Witness Annual Meeting Caraway Conference Center
August 22 - 23	Church Training Mini-Conference at Caraway
September 7 - 14	Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions
September 15 - 18	Area Church Training Children's Bible Skills Rallies
September 19 - 20	Sunday School Leadership Conference - all age group training - Ridgecrest
Sept. 30 - Oct. 1	General Board Meeting at Caraway
October 1 - 2	Director of Missions Conference at Caraway
October 7	Regional Evangelism Conference at Asheville
October 12	World Hunger Day
October 17 - 18	Mountain Pastors Evangelism Conference at Ridgecrest
October 23	POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING COOPER'S GAP BAPTIST CHURCH

THE HISTORY OF MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
1940 - 1984

Midway Baptist Church was founded in 1940 to meet the needs of the growing community between Mill Spring and Columbus. There were already churches in Mill Spring and Columbus, however, at that time transportation was basically by foot and traveling the distance to those churches was a hardship. The people "in between" felt the need for a closer sanctuary.

The Rev. Harold Liner, who became the first pastor of Midway Church, had been holding a series of revival meetings in Columbus in the spring of 1940 and it was during these meetings that the people bonded together and decided to form a church. The opening paragraphs of the church's record book reads: "On June 30, 1940, the Midway Baptist Gospel Tabernacle was originated by a band of 53 members who love the Lord supremely." This declaration proclaims the desire of this faithful group of Christians to provide a place of worship and to spread the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The new church first met in tent and cottage prayer meetings in the homes of the members. Mrs. Carrie Ritchie opened her home for a temporary meeting place until a building could be erected. The economy of the country had not yet been restored therefore the membership pooled their time, resources, and labor to help their dreams come to life. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tate donated the land for the building. E.S. Burnette set up a sawmill at the site and the men of the church got to work.

On Dec. 1, 1940, the first sermon was preached in the new building. The Dream had become a reality. Over the years the church has grown requiring classroom additions in 1948 and 1957.

The Midway Baptist Church of today is a church of growth and change. The name has been changed a little from the original but the desire to reach the lost and serve our Lord has not changed. The church has just completed a program of renovation with new siding, roofing, carpeting, new pews and piano, and many other improvements.

The summer of 1984 we dedicated our new Fellowship Hall adjoining the church. This addition has been a great blessing allowing the church to grow closer as a family.

Midway Baptist Church is a beautiful country church on the side of Highway 108 midway between Mill Spring and Columbus but it is also a sanctuary for Christians to come together to serve God.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Pauline Bell, Historian

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTISTS - 1985

Congratulations! All twenty churches have reported on Vacation Bible School. This is our sixth year that all churches have participated. Here are the comparison statistics with last year:

	1984	1985	
Enrollment	1,215	1,327	(Up 112)
Professions F.	18	23	(Up 5)
Total Offering	$974.81	$1,409	(Up $434.19)
Offering through C.P.	$466.81	$860	(Up $393.19)
Not through C.P.	$508	$549	(Up $41)
Backyard C.	1	9	

I want to commend V.B.S. Directors for a job well done and for your splendid cooperation in reporting. We also had more adult V.B.S. classes this year.

Now let's move ahead to greater heights in 1986! There is still much work to do and many more children and adults to enroll in V.B.S. Start planning in January 1986 for the best year ever in V.B.S. Blessings!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, Director of V.B.S.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Beginning with November 1984 our youth were busy. Ten churches had Ministerial Students from Gardner-Webb and all gave good reports. Student night at Christmas was great. Focus Teams went out from Gardner-Webb during the year as did The Cornerstones.

In April a fantastic Youth Rally was held at Hickory Grove along with our World Mission Conference.

During the summer Youth Workers have been in Columbus-Dale Jennings from North Greenville College; Silver Creek - Kelley Childers from Gardner-Webb; Cooper's Gap - Kevin Byers; and Green Creek and Hickory Gorve used local youth.

Youth from Hickory Grove went for Youth Explosion at Carson Newman, and youth from Cooper's Gap and Silver Creek went to Caswell. Youth from Faith, Green Creek, and Beulah went to South Mountain.

A young student, Ricky Fleming from Morgan Chapel was licensed to preach recently and will be going to college soon.

Please pray for our youth - they are great and our hope and leaders for tomorrow!

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Benton, Chairman Youth C.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES' REPORT

The mission of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Inc. is to care for dependent, neglected and homeless children; emotionally disturbed children; unwed mothers and their children; and the rendering of related services to their relatives. The broad purpose of the Institution embraces services directed toward the preservation, conservation and rehabilitation of families to avoid, whenever possible, the placement of the child away from home.

During this our 100th year of quality child care, the Trustees, staff and President Michael C. Blackwell, pledge anew our commitment to continue fulfilling the mission and broad purpose of this Christian institution of caring as we enter our second century of service. In our Centennial year we served 1,517 children and 1,167 families.

With the Govenor's proclamation of May 19, 1985 as "Baptist Children's Homes Day", the centennial celebration was well on its way. Phil Young of Henderson, was commissioned to write "Praise Book", a musical about children and families. The musical was performed by adult and children's choirs in 11 Baptist churches across the state. Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas, wrote, **A Hundred Years of Caring**, an updated history of the Homes. Baptists from across the State submitted their favorite recipes for a cookbook to be released this fall. In cooperation with the Convention's Communication Department a new video, "100 Years of Caring", was released in February. During May, June the video were underwritten by the Broyhill Foundation. During May, June and July a 1,400 mile relay marathon, the longest in the history of North Carolina, allowed hundreds of people to participate and celebrate the spirit of caring for children.

One of the final events of the Centennial will take place on November 12, 1985 at the Baptist State Convention in Charlotte. The combined voices of our children in care, along with other special features, will be an exciting entrance into our second hundred years of quality child care. We hope you will join us at the Charlotte Coliseum for an evening of celebration, praise and thanksgiving.

An update from the Western Family Services Area reveals the following highlights:

The emergency care shelters at Forest City and on the Broyhill Home Campus, as well as the maternity home in Asheville are operating at capacity level.

During the first year into our second century of quality child care, the Moody Farm Ministries in Macon County will open its doors to troubled children and youth.

We are grateful for the many friends who have given liberally to enable us to begin the Moody Ministries. Our first building will be debt free.

We challenge the Baptist of Western North Carolina to continue the task of developing resources to maintain this ministry.

Luther Osment, Director
Western Family Services Area

Michael C. Blackwell, President
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Inc.

THERMAL YOUTH SHELTER REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION - 1985

We are happy to have a small part in helping Green River and Sandy Run Association provide love and care for so many boys who have been neglected by their parents.

We lost the Dotsons as house parents this year. They did a wonderful work with our boys. However, we were very fortunate to secure Mr. & Mrs. Don Sisk as replacements. The Sisks are from Hendersonville and we appreciate their ministry.

Also, we are still blessed that Rev. & Mrs. Bill Painter care enough to give one week-end, and sometimes extra ones, to relieve the Sisks. On these week-ends you will find the boys in church with the Painters at Faith Temple.

We are grateful for the Men's Prayer Breakfast from Cooper's Gap. They have asked Mr. Sisk and his boys to meet with them for prayer and breakfast at Shoney's. On these occasions the boys must feel loved and encouraged.

Our Association contributes $600 a year to this shelter. Some of our churches carry food and other supplies that are needed. Sandy Springs church helped buy a Micro-wave oven. If your church would like to send anything to this home just contact Rev. Bill Painter and he will pick it up.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Representative

SENIOR COORDINATOR REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION - 1985

The "Young at Heart" in Polk Baptist Association stay young! They are always on the move. Most of our churches have a regularly planned schedule for activities involving all seniors. Recently Cooper's Gap Seniors had an outing to Gatlinburg. The Baptist Women of Columbus gave a lovely luncheon for all the Senior citizens of the community. A speaker gave most helpful information about a transportation schedule at low cost for Senior Citizens. Silver Creek, Green River, and Green Creek have excellent programs. Silver Creek enjoyed a birthday party for Western Retirement Home and were blessed to share gifts with those who had birthdays on that month.

We have "The Meeting Place" which is an excellent opportunity for fellowship and crafts. But I am concerned about our smaller churches who do not have vans or enough people to have a vibrant schedule. For years we have wanted to have a place or chance to show them how much we care. Now is the time! The Associational Office is the place! So look for future announcements about fellowship soon for all Senior Citizens who would like to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Carroll Green, Senior Coordinator

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA
1985 Report

For over 34 years N.C. Baptists have been ministering with older adults through the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina. The Homes' ministry is one that works - providing security and hope in the midst of sincere concern and love - bringing about the possibility for abundant life - one with a plus. This is all happening in the name of North Carolina Baptists through the "Baptist" Retirement Homes.

The Homes have a rich heritage of ministry. Building on the strengths of this heritage, the Homes with the growing support of North Carolina Baptists will effectively meet the needs of many older persons.

The following facts and information will give an overview of the Retirement Homes' ministry from August 1984 - June 1985:

The Retirement Homes had an average daily occupancy of 244 residents in the five group homes, Nursing Care Unit and apartments.

Over 30 new residents were admitted to the Homes and Nursing Care.

Group Homes fees for care were not raised. Cost containment and budget controls made this possible.

Over $100,000 of benevolent care was provided monthly to Home residents.

Sixty cents of each benevolent care was provided through Cooperative Program and North Carolina Missions Offering gifts.

"Heart to Heart" Christmas gifts from friends of the Retirement Homes provided each resident with a $20 gift.

The Homes' Nursing Care Unit, Winston Salem, can now care for 85 persons . Conversion of eleven Hayes Home rooms made this increase possible.

The Nursing Care Unit is operating at 95% occupancy.

Apartment policies have been revised. Plans are being formulated to build another duplex unit on the Hayes Home Campus.

A 20 minute video tape "Not An Ordinary Person" has been produced to be used in communicating the Retirement Homes ministry.

The Retirement Homes do have vacancies. Please request admissions information from Mr. Jackson S. Hoyle, Administrative Offices, Winston Salem, N.C.

After more than 24 years Bill Poole retired as President of Retirement Homes. Jackson Hoyle is Interim Director.

The first meeting of the Retirement Homes' "Heritage Club" was held. The club members have included the Homes in their estate planning, and last year's gifts were over $400,000.

The fiscal year ended in black largely due to special gifts.

The homes' mission is to meet the needs of older adults through Christian compassion. Thanks to your mission support care of which we know you would be proud is provided.

Respectfully submitted,
Carroll Green, Polk Representative

BAPTIST HOSPITAL
Report to the Associations - 1985

Baptist Hospital is committed to making available to its patients the most advanced medical technology in an atmosphere of Christian caring.

New technology brought into service during the past year includes a magnetic resonance scanner which uses a strong magnetic field, radio waves, and computer techniques to obtain images of the body's organs and tissues without using ionizing radiation. During the past year, the hospital also introduced a procedure to remove kidney stones by passing a large needle into the kidney and then breaking up the stones with ultrasound or snaring them with a tiny basket. Medical Center cardiologists have helped to develop a dual-chamber pacemaker which helps to regulate the pace of an ailing heart so that its function is more similar to that of a healthier heart. Also, cardiologists are now using streptokinase to effectively dissolve clots in the coronary arteries. In another development, many cancer patients are now benefiting from a new device which makes intravenous injections of drugs unnecessary. Our Medical Center surgeons helped develop this device called a Port - A - Cath. One other seemingly small development this year, but with important consequences, is the discovery by pediatricians that partial bathing of babies in the intensive care nursery rather than total bathing allows the body temperature to remain constant instead of dropping.

These new discoveries help assure Baptist Hospital patients of a high quality of professional care. Equally important, however, is the emotional and spiritual environment in which this care is provided. Through department staff meetings, through staff education programs, through an ongoing program of new employees orientation, the hospital seeks to preserve an atmosphere of Christian caring and concern. The specific functions of the Pastoral Care Department and the Patient Relations Department contribute to the hospital's effort to minister "with skill and understanding."

During the past year, our hospital admitted 25,140 patients for a total of 213,038 days of care. Ambulatory patient visits including the Bowman Gray Department of Clinics totalled 243,096. The hospital has 701 licensed beds, employs 3,537 persons and has an operating budget of $124,187,316. The Department of Pastoral Care made 57,849 visits with patients, family members, and employees and provided 21,194 hours of counseling through the Winston-Salem center and the various satellites.

Last year, North Carolina Baptists gave their hospital $541,255.16 in financial support through the Cooperative Program and $367,712.33 through the North Carolina Missions Offering. The hospital staff and the patients are deeply grateful for this continuing support.

The hospital is currently involved in another expansion program which will include new parking areas, a new inpatient tower, a clinical services building, and additions to the power plant as well as renovation and alterations of existing space. The total cost of this project is estimated at $86,344.00.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bill Painter, Representative

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT FOR 1985

The services offered by the Baptist Hospital are excellent for the patients and are a credit for the Southern Baptists of the North Carolina Convention.

The doctors, nurses, and staff are always ready to be of assistance. If you have ever used the Baptist Hospital you know about the excellent facilities and the quality of the medical services rendered.

Respectfully submitted,
William Painter, Representative

YOUTH AND CAMP MINISTRIES

One of the most exciting and challenging ministries of North Carolina Baptist churches through our Convention is that done by the Division of Youth and Campus Ministries. Our task on behalf of junior and senior high school students is to provide leadership training for adult and youth leaders to coordinate the Convention's several programs which include youth, and to project the Convention's Youth weeks at the Assembly. Rick Traylor does an exceptional job in that area.

You have assigned to us your primary ministry with students. We have BSU or some organized group work on 43 campuses. More than thirty volunteers work alongside some twenty full-time campus ministers and four other staff persons in your ministry to students. We as campus ministers are committed to serving consistently as resource persons for church workers with college students in all North Carolina Baptist congregations. We guide in local emphases which include evangelism, missions experience and education, Bible study, worship, intergration of faith and education and decision making as part of Christian discipleships. Over $40,000 has been contributed by North Carolina BSUers this year toward a state-level missions program which witnesses around the world. Additional money and time are invested as students find ways to serve in local communities, usually alongside their older Christian brothers and sisters.

Our BSUs from Cullowhee to Greenville and Murfreesboro have teams of students who are prepared to preach, teach, sing and share with those in Baptist churches nearby. Puppet and clown teams, in addition, present the Gospel in unique but effective ways to children, senior citizens and everyone in between!

In seven locations - Cullowhee, Boone, Greensboro, Chapel Hill, Raleigh, Greenville and Pembroke - the Convention owns student centers, facilities especially dedicated to ministry with persons in the academic communities.

James Y. Greene, Director
Division of Youth and Campus Ministries
Baptist State Convention of N.C.

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc.

Whether we look at our objectives in life as individual Christians or collectively, as a church, an association or convention, we should be interested, above all other life's objectives, in presenting the message of Christ to those who need to know and accept Him as Lord and Savior. One of the exciting aspects of being a Christian is to feel the joy that comes in serving Him now as well as having influence on others in the future.

Some of the future influence we have as Christians is reflected in our daily commitment of service now. This can be accomplished first through our personal witness to those who will live beyond our lifespan and, secondly, through use of our resources. An increasing number of North Carolina Baptists are experienceing the excitement that comes with knowing that a portion of their resources will be set aside in trusts to further the spread of the Gospel, in perpetuity. The Baptist Foundation provides the services that make this possible.

During the past fiscal year (1984), 81 new trusts were established with the North Carolina Baptist Foundation to serve as trustee. These gifts totalled $265,029.34. Additions and contributions to new and existing trusts totalled $741,153 for the year. When maturity value of bonds in the invested portfolio are considered along with market value for real estate held in trust, the assets of the Foundations at the end of 1984 totalled $10,930,279. Real estate holdings have an estimated value of $4.478 million dollars. Income distributed to Baptist institutions and agencies, and to individuals receiving annuity payments totalled $471,563 during 1984.

Investing of Foundation assets is carried out under the direction of the Board of Directors elected by the State Convention. Day to day management is given to the investments by two fiscal agents selected by the Board. Investment philosophy now used calls for maximum return with some internal growth. Throughout the 65 year history of the Baptist Foundation, its Directors have taken seriously their fiduciary responsibilities as related to the trusts held as well as to the Convention.

Support of new church growth through trusts will receive increasing attention by the Convention in the immediate future. A variety of methods are available to North Carolina Baptists through their Baptist Foundation. Information concerning these and other services of the Foundation are available by contacting the Foundation office at P.O. Box 26508, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Jack Jolley

Edwin S. Coates, Executive
Joseph Teague, Chairman, Board of Directors

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The American Bible Society reached a major milestone in 1984, distributing its four billionth copy of Scripture, and the Southern Baptist Convention has had a vital role in this achievement. It is with the deepest gratitude for your faithful support that ABS submits its report to you this year.

We praise the Lord for reports coming to us from over 180 countries concerning the advances which are being made in all aspects of the Bible cause. ABS and its 99 partners in the United Bible Societies around the world are currently involved in translating the Word of God in 562 languages. In distribution all indications are that there were significant increases throughout the world in 1984 and dramatic increases in areas where there are extreme needs. The impact of the Bible on the lives of countless souls is inestimable and we give our heartfelt thanks to Southern Baptists who are coworkers in the worldwide vineyard with us.

Here are just a few of the many highlights of Scripture advance during 1984 in some of the countries where Southern Baptists are active in mission:

In Kenya distribution reached over a half million in 1984. Many other urgent requests have come for 1985 including the need for 25,000 Swahili Scriptures for prisoners, and 50,000 for hospital patients.

In Nigeria in spite of extreme economic difficulties progress is being made in Scripture translation in over 60 languages. There were over 322,000 Bibles distributed in 1984. There are present critical needs for Bibles in Yoruba, Igbo, Isoko and several other languages.

In Indonesia several million Scriptures were distributed to children and students alone in the "Year of Child". New Reader Scriptures were distributed in Kalimantan. The goal in Indonesia is to place a Bible in every Christian home.

In the United States 114,458,279 Scriptures were distributed last year. In addition Scriptures were shared throughout the U.S.A. in more than 80 languages other than English, principally Spanish. The Los Angeles Summer Olympics and the New Orleans World Fair were times of heavy distribution.

There are many special programs, too. "Share the Word" programs embraces the whole community - youth, the sick and elderly, the needy, and prisoners in local jails. There are many Volunteers who help with Good News Seminars and Ethnic Outreach. Bible - a - Month Club send many Bibles each month.

The American Bible Society gives thanks to you for your support and for your prayers, and looks forward to increased ties of fellowship. Our pledge to you is to work increasingly in partnership with you to fulfill the great commission of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Repectfully submitted,
Rev. Herman Bright, Representative

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST COLLEGE REPORT - 1985

CAMPBELL	CHOWAN	GARDNER-WEBB	MARS HILL
1887	1848	1905	1856

MEREDITH	WAKE FOREST	WINGATE
1891	1834	1895

Baptists and their colleges have been doing Christian education together for a long, long time. Look at those dates listed with each college above. When they are totaled, the cumulative number of service years for our seven colleges is 779! North Carolina Baptists have grown up with their colleges, so much so that it is difficult to imagine our total mission program without them.

If you should ask our college leaders what is uppermost on their minds these days, you would get an answer such as this: "Christian education, Baptist students and Cooperative Program support." A sentence or two about each of these will complete this report.

Christian Education. There are large and important differences that belong to Baptist colleges. They are smaller, friendlier campuses where the Christian community is present and encouraged and where education and the Christian faith are compatible.

Baptist Students. Young people from our churches are encouraged to apply to Baptist colleges. Pastors and parents help students when they guide them to Baptist schools. Generous student aid and work study programs make it possible for any qualified student to attend a Baptist college.

Cooperative Program. Your North Carolin Baptist colleges say "Thank you" for the generous dollar support through the Cooperative Program. Baptist dollars buy quality Christian education and make healthy institutions possible.

For more information write or call:
Council on Christian Higher Educations
P.O. Box 26508
Raleigh, North Carolina 27611
(919) 467-5100

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Wesley Price, Rep.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION - 1984 - 85

This year, as each year, new material is being made available to aid us in our task of "Reaching People" and "Developing Believers". The Bold Mission Thrust 1985 - 90 has special emphasis on efforts to strengthen missions. Church Training this year takes us boldly into the topics of Lordship and Servanthood. The church is the training ground for each Christian to become better equipped to face a challenging goal of reaching every person in the world with the gospel by the year 2000. But first Christ must be Lord of our lives before we can share Him in Missions.

The Materials Service Department of our Sunday School Board continues to offer new material for study in Sunday School, Church Training, Church Music, Family Ministry, Youth Ministry, Church Administration, etc. These new materials are introduced in "The Mailbag", a newsletter that comes each quarter with the new literature order forms. This newsletter should be shared with all the church leaders. I believe we have some of the finest literature available to

us, but it can't help us teach and train workers if we don't use it. These materials, along with the Bibical Recorder, keeping us informed of state news and convention wide news, and our "Missions U.S.A.", Commission Magazines, keeping us in touch with missions in the U.S.A. and around the world help us to be wellrounded and informed Southern Baptists as well as church leaders that our Lord can be proud to use in His service.

Our Associational Office has materials available to loan to the churches and is happy to find what we need without charge.

Let us use this material for the Glory of God.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Ann Byrd, Representative

REPORT FROM THE MEDIA CENTER OF POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION - 1985

After seven years Polk Baptist Association Media Center is open for your use! We have had available materials tapes, and Modules, but stacked away in boxes they were hard for you to find. Now many FREE materials are available for Sunday School, Church Training, W.M.U., etc. Recently the Brotherhood ordered materials on Prayer for the new year.

Nashville sent a box of books and beginning materials for a library. We purchased some others which we would like for you to check out.

Please drop by and see if we can meet any of your needs.

Respectfully submitted,
Millie Simpson, Media Dir.

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS - 1985
The Biblical Recorder

This past year has been one of the very best for the people who comprise the Baptist State Convention of North Carolin, and because the **Biblical Rcorder** is a member of that family of God, it has enjoyed a good year also, perhaps the best in its history.

Readership appears to be very high. Comments, letters and other communications with the paper indicate Baptists read the paper and depend upon it for correct and vital information about the work we do together. That was the purpose of the paper when it was founded in 1833 and it remains unchanged today.

Tar Heel Baptists face a great challenge and responsibility as we struggle to meet the opportunities before us in our growing and developing state. Fewer persons are members of churches in our state now than are not members. . . of any kind of church. Our evangelism burden to win the lost and our ministry obligations to all people, are at the maximum now in all our history.

The **Recorder** gladly and gratefully assumes its role in this Great Commission. More than ever before, the paper will seek to inform, indoctrinate, enlist, inspire and provide a forum for Baptist thought and action as we work together to achieve God's purpose for us.

Subscription rates will not be raised for the fourth consecutive year in 1986, despite a substantial increase in the cost of second-class postage anticipated, in October, 1985. Maximum stewardship of the paper's resources has been utilized to provide the paper at minimum cost so that more families can have the paper in their home. The rates for 1986 are the same as 1985: Individual, $7.00; Club (four or more), $6.00; Every Family Plan, $5.00. Our rates are equal to or less than all other major state Baptist papers such as **The Biblical Recorder.**

All is not well in the larger family of Baptist as our national convention continues to struggle for its direction and identity. Every Baptist needs to be well-informed with accurate facts and assessments so that he or she can come to the right position under God as a disciple of Jesus Christ. We must not let the conflict in the SBC deter us from the work and ministry we have here in our own state.

Let us pray together for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom as never before. Please pray for the paper, its ministry, staff and contribution to the Lord's work. If the paper can help you, your church or your association, please call 919-847-2127.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Donald Byrd, Associational Representative

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE OF NORTH CAROLINA
Annual Report

To call 1985 a banner year for the Christian Action League would indeed be an understatement. Here are some of the high-lights of what has occurred:

LEGISLATION: OBESCENITY — The General Assembly enacted into law an obscenity bill that is the culmination of 10 years of consistent effort. So called "adult" book stores are outlawed. Sexually oriented materials will have to be placed under the counters. Penalties for violating the state's obscenity law have been increased from misdemeanors to felonies. ALCOHOL — Drinking age set at 21 for all alcoholic beverages. Happy Hours abolished. Permitting Convention Centers to have brown-bagging went down in defeat. Current North Carolina law permanently revokes ABC permits for any establishment convicted of gambling offenses. GAMBLING — The statewide lottery act went down to defeat in the Senate with a 24 to 24 tie vote. The "Casino" game bill for non-profit organizations was rejected. Efforts to liberalize our bingo laws were also turned back. ABORTION — The state abortion fund was decreased by one third from 1.2 million to $900,000. Yet, North Carolina remains the only state in the Southeast to use state tax funds for medically unnecessary abortions. The Govenor recommended that state tax funds be allowed only for abortions when the mother's life is at stake, rape, or incest.

REFERENDUM: In the past year several liquor related votes were held; Jonesville defeated ABC liquor stores along with beer and wine. Asheboro defeated ABC liquor stores, beer, wine, and liquor by the drink. Morganton defeated liquor by the drink. Anson County defeated beer and wine sales. Camden County defeated liquor by the drink. Monroe, Chatham County, Nash County, and Edgecombe County defeated liquor by the drink.

On September 7th Polk County seat, Columbus, voted upon 2 referendums considering the sale of beer and wine. Both were defeated. The defeat of beer sales was 195-150, and the defeat of the sale of wine 193-153. We praise God for these victories.

We are grateful to our Lord for the opportunity to apply the gospel to contemporary moral and ethical issues. Then we are grateful to you that uphold the League with your prayers and financial support. You make it possible for us to remain on the firing line for the causes that we share.

Respectfully submitted,
Coy Privette, Exec. Dir.
Aaron Pruitt, Polk Rep.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTISTS FOR 1984 - 85

A missionary and his wife were speaking in one of our Southern Baptist Churches in Florida. Both had attended Baptist Colleges and Southern Baptist Seminary with help from the Cooperative Program. At the conclusion of the service an envelope was handed to the missionary with this challenge: "Make this samll amount go as far as you can in your work."

The missionary did not hesitate as he answered quickly, "The best way to make money go a long way for Southern Baptists is through the Cooperative Program". Why is it that some of us still can't see this? If we could our gifts through the Cooperative Program would triple and how blessed we would be as we make the Bold Mission Thrust a reality.

Today over 7,000 missionaries are serving in the United States and in 105 countries around the world because Southern Baptists give generously through the Cooperative Program.

In 1984 Southern Baptists gave $287,126,031 through the Cooperative Program to all causes. Southern Baptist churches gave an average of 10.34 percent of their undesignated offerings to state and S.B.C. ministries through the Cooperative Program.

In Polk Association our goal for last year was $50,000 and from early reports we may have reached it. But how much more we could have done! Only one church, Big Level, goes beyond the 10 percent - they give 15 percent. Five others give 10 percent. Cooper's Gap contributed the greatest amount through the Cooperative Program in 1984 - 85. Their gift for the year reached $10,242.

Churches, why withhold God's blessings? Let Him bless your church, and one of the best ways I know is giving at least 10 percent of your tithes and offerings through the Cooperative Program.

May God help you to catch this vision!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. George Lynch, Stewardship Chairman

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS REPORT - 1985

Southern Baptist Churches in North Carolina observed the Week of September 8 - 15 as a Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions. Our State Goal for North Carolina Missions for 1985 is $2,800,000. Last Year (1984), the Polk Baptist Association contributed $3,893 to North Carolina State Missions.

The North Carolina State Missions Offering is broken down and distributed as follows: State Missions Ministries - 16%; Caraway Conference Center - 7.5%; N.C. Baptist Assembly - 2.5%; N.C. Baptist Men - 3%; N.C. Baptist Colleges - 5%; N.C. Baptist Hospital - 15%; N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes - 15%; Baptist Children's Homes - 30%; Woman's Missionary Union - 5%.

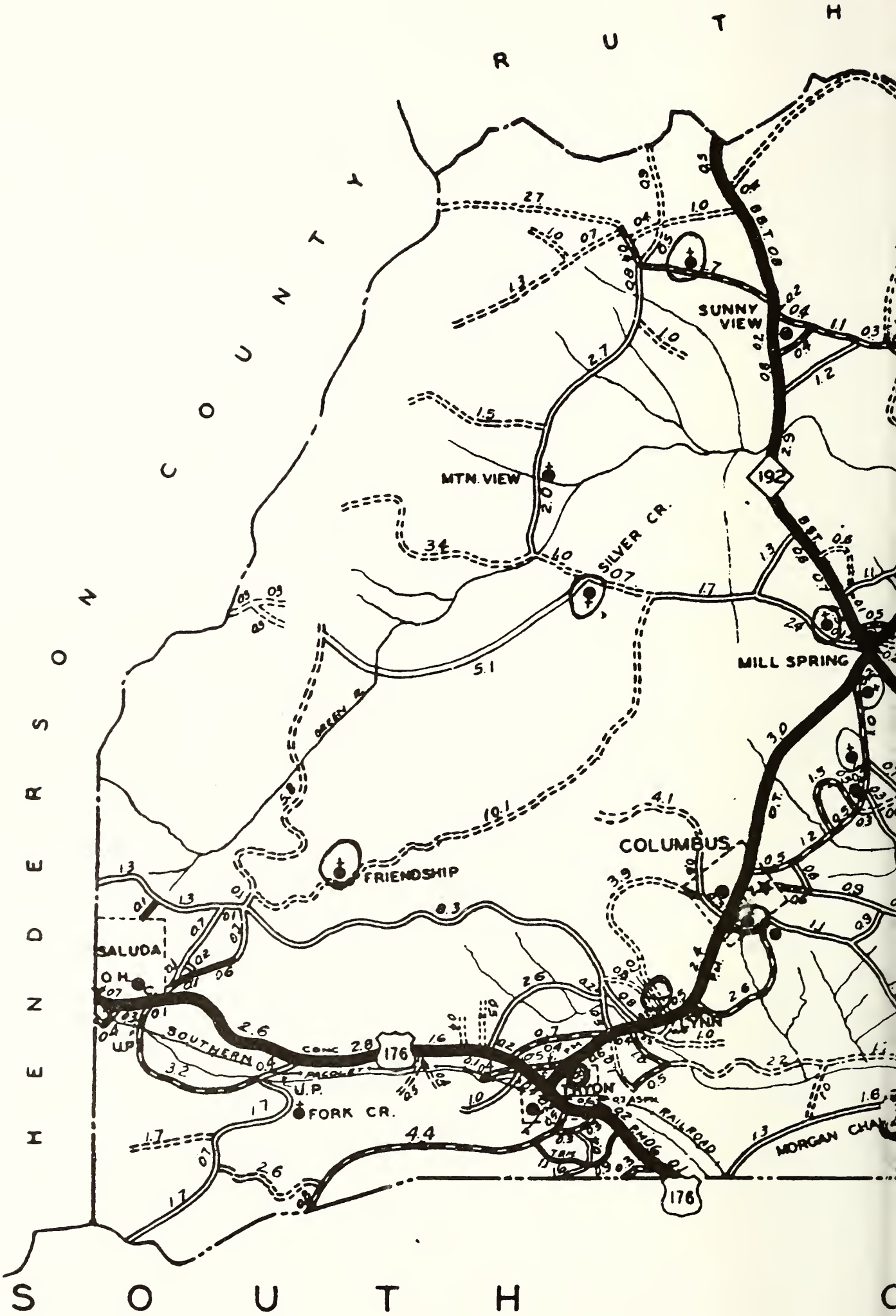
The THEME for the North Carolina State Mission Offering this year is "HOPE IS SOMETHING YOU GIVE. . .Because of Jesus' Love." However, let's say our greatest motivating factor for such an offering should always be the precious words of Jesus when He said: GO YE. Isn't it wonderful to know that through the North Carolina State Mission Offering each year, WE CAN GO!

Just in case your have a doubt about whether WE SHOULD GO into out state, please remember that half the people in the State of North Carolina have no meaningful relationship - no saving relationship with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

Dear friends in Christ, let's share Christ in North Carolina in this sense:

If you have a gift-bring it
If you have a song-sing it
If you have a talent-use it
If you have love-diffuse it
If you have sadness-bear it
If you have gladness-share it
If you have happiness-give it
If you have religion-live it
If you have a prayer-pray
If you have a kind word-say it
We all have gifts that we may bring!
We all have songs that we may sing!
We all have prayers that we may pray!
We all have love and joy to give!
And what a joy life is to live, if we
just scatter everywhere in North Carolina,
all these things God's given us to Share!

Respectfully Submitted,
John L. Rogers, Representative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HOME MISSIONS REPORT

Supported by increased giving through the Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, the home missions force increased 25 percent since 1980. At the end of 1984, Southern Baptist gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering totaled more than $24.7 million, marking an increase of 10 percent over the same period in 1983. However, Cooperative Program funds were nearly $2 million under the HMB's 1983-84 allotment. Dr. William Tanner, the Board's President, said, "The shortfall had been predicted and did not adversely effect the Board's work during 1984."

There are 13 Programs assigned to the Home Mission Board. We ought to become keenly aware of these strategic agencies. (1) Associational Administration Service. (2) Black Church Relations. (3) Chaplaincy Ministries. (4) Christian Social Ministries. (5) Church Extension. (6) Church Loans. (7) Evangelism Department. (8) Interfaith Witness. (9) Language Missions. (10) Mass Evangelism. (11) Metropolitan Missions. (12) Personal Evangelism. (13) Rural-Urban Missions.

Oftentimes we seem to get lost in the monetary figures presented by the Home Mission Board. This time, let's dwell upon some concrete figures pertaining to our Lord's Great Commission: In 1984, 3,723 missions personnel, plus 1,728 endorsed chaplains and 335 Atlanta staff, reported 63,739 professions of faith, 5,042 commitments to special service and 34,363 church additions by letter. To God be the glory. Great things He hath done!

The 1984 income for the Home Mission Board was $57,443,275. $21,514,647 was for the Cooperative Program. The Polk Baptist Association's contribution (including Annie Armstron Easter Offering) to the Home Mission Board was $10,602.

Hopefully, our 1985 endeavors will supercede those of 1984. At this writing, the 1985 achievements and sum totals, etc., are not available. However, never forget "that no news usually signals good news!"

In conclusion, we are part of the Southern Baptist witness in a complex world, where a variety of endeavors are necessary to render effective the Great Commission in our day. Let's be about it even as the beloved Apostle Paul was about it in his epistles!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Judy P. Arledge
Representative

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

Southern Baptist missionaries now work in 105 countries, entering three new ones in 1984: Finland, Pakistan and Sierra Leone. Mozambique was reentered, and became the 105th Southern Baptist mission field. Southern Baptists had missionaries there earlier, but they left in September 1975, when sentiment in the newly independent Marxist nation made their work practically impossible.

Overseas churches related to Southern Baptist foreign missions baptized 156,326 people last year, a 7 percent gain over 1983 figures. That means that an average of 428 persons were baptized every day! Nearly a third of the baptisms, some 49,200 were reported in Brazil, along with approximately 18,500 in Nigeria, 12,600 in the Philippines, 8,700 in Tanzania, 8,700 in South Korea and 6,700 in Mexico.

Southern Baptists provided strong financial increases to the Foreign Mission Board in 1984, increasing their giving to foreign missions at a rate nearly double the 4 percent U.S. inflation rate. In 1984, foreign missions received 50 percent of all Cooperative Program operating budget funds received by the SBC Executive Committee, a total of $55,639,278.66, up 12.15 percent from 1983.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, the convention's annual ingathering designated for foreign missions, is included each year in preparation of the board's worldwide budget. The 1983 offering (received in 1984) was $58,025,336.70. Even though the offering goal of $60 million was not reached, funds received were up 7.03 percent over 1983 receipts.

The Polk Baptist Association's contribution to the Foreign Mission Board in 1984 was (which included the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering) $27,372.

Hopefully, as always, our 1985 figures and statistics and outstanding achievements (which are not available at this writing) will supercede those of 1984.

As Dr. Keith Parks stated so vividly, "Southern Baptists: A missions people hearing, believing, living, telling His story." Let's be about the Great Commission our precious Lord gave us in Matthew 28: 18-20!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Judy P. Arledge
Representative

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1985

I accept the challenge of Sunday School Director with nothing less than great excitement and enthusiasm for our new church year. "You make the difference" will be our grand theme for our new church year (85 - 86). We are gearing up for an explosive year of Home Bible Studies, Scripture distribution, Training Seminars on the Field Action and our goal of the 10-90 plan.

The year of 1984-85 for our Polk Association saw an overall increase in enrollment for our churches. This past year our churches reported an overall enrollment of 2,522 members in Sunday School. We are proud of the ongoing outreach in our Sunday Schools. Sunday School is the major outreach arm of the church and should remain so.

We enjoyed an excellent conference at the Ridgecrest Conference Center in September concerning Sunday School Leadership. We are off to Nashville for an exciting Conference on Church Growth. So pray that we will be able to relay to our people the exciting plans and programs for reaching the lost for Christ.

This year's theme is based on "YOU". You make the difference in your church, home and community. Our thrust will be OUTREACH! So get ready to fasten your seat belts for an explosive confrontation of the Gospel on the community. May we GROW, GLOW, and GO this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Pastor Bob Philbeck
Sunday School Director

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT FOR 1985

I am grateful for the churches in our association that have Church Training and their support and participation during the past year.

To the churches that do not have Church Training I would like to share the following information:

First, I urge each of you to consider starting Church Training in your church.

You may know that each church that begins a new Church Training can receive ups to $50 in free materials from the North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

There are also filmstrips and Modules available at the Associational Office to help you get started.

Please call upon me at anytime and I will be happy to come to your church to discuss Church Training.

I encourage each church to come to "M" night. If you do not have Church Training in your church come and see what it is all about. You may get so excited that you will want to begin one.

This year's "M" night will be at Beulah Baptist Church. It will be on Monday night, November 25th. The time will be at 7 P.M. There will be different churches featured on the program this year. Our "M" night programs in the past have been a highlight of our year and the participation has been an encouragement to me as your Church Training Director.

Church Training is vital to your church growth. Let us grow and develop believers and reach people through prayer and witnessing.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. William Painter, Director

BROTHERHOOD REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1984 - 85

This has been one of our busiest years in Brotherhood, but our twenty churches have something to be rejoicing about. In the fall the plans for our new Associational Office were approved by our Executive Committee. Of course, we did not have all the funds we needed for the building we desired. So we recruited voluntary labor from all our churches. I thank God for each one who came and helped in anyway. In this way we were able to save thousands of dollars, and moving day was March 15, 1985. To God Be The Glory!

We have reached more men in Brotherhood in percentage growth than any association in our state. Our increase in the past few years has been 439.5 percent. But sad to say we still have churches with no Brotherhood. This is heartbreaking, and my earnest prayer is that by the end of our 1985 - 86 year there will be an active Brotherhood in each of our twenty churches.

The jail ministry is still blessing lives and bringing in His Kingdom to lost souls. Gradually a few more churches are becoming involved. We are happy that Peniel will be ministering the month of November.

Thank you, W.M.U. ladies! You have been a great help in your work at the Nursing Homes in Tryon and Saluda. Now we have people going to Twin Lanes Homes-Mill Spring First. Blessings! We also have visits to the Retirement Home in Asheville-Silver Creek gave one of the monthly birthday parties.

I have attended a workshop at Camp Caraway and the Baptist State Convention. The Emphases this year will be based upon prayer. I have ordered the video-tapes and materials for the Seminar for "Praying Men". You will be hearing more about our meetings later after the materials arrive. Every church can have a group of praying men even if you do not have a brotherhood.

We still have lots of work to do and most of all lots of praying for our Association and our churches. Let's not let down reins but tighten up the traces and join hands and hearts in brotherly love following His leadership.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard Phillips, Brotherhood Director

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION — 1985

1984-85 was another good year for Woman's Missionary Union. I thank the Lord for each member of the W.M.U. Council, and I am grateful for the good work each one has accomplished. I also appreciate each church director and each age level leader who worked so faithfully with the women, girls, and preschool girls and boys of the churches.

The fall of 1984 was busy, beginning the first Monday in November with World Day of Prayer at Midway Baptist Church. What a blessing we received at the morning and evening services. Later in the month each church conducted its Foreign Mission Study. Then in December we observed the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and received the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

In February some of the churches had special activities and programs for W.M.U. Focus Week. Also, each church had its own Home Missions Study before the Week of Prayer for Home Missions in March. These two activities were in preparation for the Annie Armstrong Offering.

In the spring the Baptist Women had a special luncheon meeting at Pacolet Hills Baptist Church to hear Suthell Walker from the state office give us information on activities we will have during 1985-86 in preparation for the North Carolina Centennial to be observed in Raleigh in April 1986. Also, at this meeting a check from the Baptist Women was presented to Mr. Simpson to be used on supplies and equipment for our new associational building.

Several of our churches participated in World Missions Conference the last week of April and W.M.U. members took an active part in the activities and received a tremendous blessing.

I attended Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest in May, and the W.M.U. Council members attended a workshop at Fruitland Bible Institute in July. In August, we had our associational W.M.U. Leadership Conference at Columbus Baptist Church. This workshop had a good attendance for each age level group. Thanks to each associational director and our centennial chairman for all the information they gave us at the workshop.

Many churches have individually been doing great mission action work. The Baptist Women of some of our churches have been joining with the Baptist Men in weekly services at White Oak Terrace and Saluda Nursing Home. Associational wide gifts were brought and delivered in December to the Black Mountain Center for the mentally retarded. We also contributed toward Christmas gifts for women in the Raleigh Correction Center.

1984-85 is behind us. We have plenty of work ahead for 1985-86. Let us pray and work toward organizing more age level groups in the churches now having W.M.U. organizations and starting groups in the four churches of our association without any W.M.U. organizations. Our emphasis for the year is: "Multiply the Vision". That is exactly what we need to do.

All of the associational directors are ready to help you at anytime. Please call on us to help you with your needs. For the Glory of God let's make W.M.U. better in 1985 - 86!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, W.M.U. Director

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1985

The Chairman of our Evangelism Committee left our Association. One of our faithful and capable members of that Committee assumed the gigantic task of completing the plans for our first open air Revival.

This pastor, John Edwards had already led us through a most successful revival last fall at Green Creek Baptist Church with Dr. Van Murrell as Evangelist.

John took over the task of our fall revival again this year. Dr. Alastair Walker of Spartanburg had already been secured as Evangelist. Everything began to fall into place. The other members of the Evangelism Committee were most supportive. The choir was superb; the sound system was excellent and our people were receptive. We have heard only praise! Most of our people are clamoring for more open air revivals. I am not sure how many decisions were made but church families were drawn closer. Baptisms are up, too, and this could have had a part.

Thank you, John, and your Committee for a marvelous job. Isn't it great to have people who can fill in the gap?

Respectfully submitted,
Marshall Simpson-for the Com.
John Edwards, Chairman

EVANGELISM REPORT 1985

We are told that only three percent of all the lost people come to our churches on their own. This means that 97 percent are out there lost without help, without hope, without strength. These people will die and go to hell unless we go to where they are and share Jesus with them. It is absolutely imperative that our church people come out of the beautiful church buildings into the market place and share with lost humanity the "Good News" of Jesus.

All Baptists are urged to participate in the "Good News America God Loves You" revival in March and April 1986. The revival dates for the areas are: Eastern, March 9 - 16; Piedmont, March 23 - 30; and Western, April 6 - 13, 1986. Every church is encouraged to plan a revival meeting during one of these suggested dates. Let us pray daily that every unsaved person in North Carolina will have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Christ by the end of 1986.

Churches are urged to have a CWT or Lay Evangelism School training in preparation for the "Good News America" revivals. Bible distribution and a people search will be emphasized during October 1985.

Many of our churches have already scheduled revival training seminars, Growing Evangelistic Churches in North Carolina seminars, and Spiritual Awakening seminars for 1985-1986.

In February, in the midst of a ice storm, the Statewide Evangelism Conference was held at War Memorial Auditorium and Coliseum, Greensboro. Jo Ann Shelton and Loeen Bushman led the music and Dr. John Sullivan, Dr. John Bisagno, Dr. Bill Jones, Dr. James Pleitz, Dr. William Tanner, and Dr. Charles Page preached to the twenty-five hundred in attendance. On February 3 - 4, 1986 the 40th Conference will be held in Greensboro Coliseum with Dr. George Harris, Dr. Frank Crumpler, Dr. Leonard Sanderson, Dr. Frederick Sampson, and Dr. Jim Henry bringing the messages.

Super Summer '85 was held in July this year at Wake Forest University July 10 - 12, with the Crusade on Friday night in Greensboro with almost ten thousand young people in attendance.

The Evangelism Division sponsored 15 regional meetings in October designed for pastors and staff. These meetings will be held each year to inform and educate the staff on coming evangelism events and programs. The meetings begin at 10:00 A.M. and last until noon with lunch being served. This year the emphasis will be on the "Good News America" revivals.

Again, one of the hits of the year was the Single Adult Evangelism retreat. This is the third year for this retreat and it along with the vocational evangelists retreat are always well attended.

The second Mountain Pastors Evangelism Conference was held at Ridgecrest and was such a success the 1985 conference is already on the agenda. Designed for the mountain pastor and his wife, the conference begins on Friday afternoon and concludes Saturday at 2:00 P.M.

With baptisms down this year, let's pray God will use each of us to win one in 1985 - 86.

J. W. Hutchens, Jr., Director

MUSIC REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1984 - 85

"Musicians on Mission - That All May Hear" — this is our theme in our music departments for the years 1985-90. I feel that this is a very appropriate theme as our faithful volunteer musicians are truly on a mission for His glory. After all this is only fulfulling His admonition to "Make a Joyful Noise Unto The Lord".

I appreciate most sincerely all you "faithful Music Missionaries" who took time and expended yourself beyond the second mile to share in our Associational Choir. We do have much talent in our twenty churches, but the difficult task is getting help from all of you. We did have a good revival choir and we were commended by Dr. Walker, but think how much better it would have been if YOU had been one of those singing His praises.

Our choir has performed twice-during the revival and during the Associational Meeting. Music will put the congregation in a worshipful attitude, and at times souls are convicted and saved through His word in music. Therefore, it is vital to choose only music which is Biblical.

Each year a program with a "Hymn For The Month" is presented to all churches. In this way we learn new hymns each year. Here are some suggestions given:

November	"How Gracious Are Thy Mercies, Lord"	P. 230
December	"O Come All Ye Faithful"	P. 81
January	"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"	P. 270
February	"I Know Whom I Have Believed"	P. 344
March	"What Wondrous Love Is This?"	P. 106
April	"Crown Him With Many Crowns"	P. 52
May	"In Loving Kindness Jesus Came"	P. 420
June	"O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus"	P. 340
July	"It Is Well With My Soul"	P. 339
August	"Come, Come, Ye Saints"	P. 210
September	"To Worship, Work, and Witness	P. 238

Why not try some of these? It is always good to learn new hymns.

Let me say a great, great thank you to Wesley, his father, Everette Wallace and all those who helped with the equipment for our music and the sound system for our outside. Also, thanks to Leslie Bush who came each night from Mars Hill to be our pianist and to all you faithful choir members. May God bless each one of you. I pray that in 1986 we will have an Associational Choir from twenty churches not six or seven.

Respectfully submitted,
James Rogers, Assoc. Choir Dir.

REPORT OF RADIO AND TELEVISION MINISTRY FOR POLK BAPTISTS 1985

One way to carry out The Great Commission of Our Lord is by the means of Radio and Television. God has given us a great opportunity to do His Work of sharing the Gospel through advanced technology with all people in this world.

The Southern Baptists Convention Executive Committee gave its approval for the Radio and Television Commission to borrow up to ten million dollars with a ten year payback and to conduct a five year ten million dollar fund raising campaign. Approval for the ten million fund raising campaign permits the Commission to conduct major campaigns in the Southern Baptist Convention. The Executive Committee approved financial restructing should help eliminate any deficit next year.

We can also communicate through video-tapes. If you would like to show some tapes we have the equipment to show them at our Associational Office. Just come by and pick it up.

May we work together for the cause of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and carry out The Great Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. David Peterson, Representative

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1984 - 85

The Annuity Board has 67 years of service behind. It has become one of the leading authorities on church pension plans. In fact, the Annuity Board is the second largest denominational pension board and is ranked among the top pension boards in the United States.

It is gratifying that each year more and more churches are seeing the need of caring for their pastor and his family in case of disability or retirement. Last year 493 churches enrolled their ministers in the current Southern Baptist retirement program. This makes a total of 20,567 participants in 1984.

The Annuity Board administers insurance programs for church staff members, personnel of Southern Baptist agencies and seminary students.

The Cooperative Program was instrumental in the beginning of our Annuity Board that we have today. In fact, every church in the Annuity Program should be a participant in the Cooperative Program. The Cooperative Program gave $525,728 in relief to the Annuity Board in 1984.

It would be a very thoughtful and considerate act to enroll every pastor in the Annuity Program. So far only ten of our pastors are in this program. "Route 10" is an excellent way to care for your pastor. Each church gives ten percent of the pastor's salary and the Board matches this. If you join early enough you will be well protected upon retirement.

If you have any questions to ask about your retirement or Annuity Plan use the toll free number 1-800-262-0511.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Steve Hardin

1985 ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT

COUNCIL ON CHRISTIAN LIFE AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

This has been an extremely busy year for the Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs. Through its three departments, it has provided a variety of field service events and educational resources for North Carolina Baptists. Associational Christian Life committee members were trained and guidance on a wide range of social and ethical issues was furnished to churches and associations. June was promoted as World Hunger Month and our churches increased their giving significantly over that of 1984. The Council made available bulletin inserts, posters, world hunger calendars, and hunger banks, in addition to free offering envelopes.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAMILY LIFE

A wide range of family life events was led by the department's director.Included were six associational or church-wide Family Enrichment Conferences; three marriage enrichment retreats in addition to sponsoring the annual three-day Clergy Couples Retreat in January and the four-day Basic MER Leadership Training Conference in August; two area-wide single adult seminars and an associational single adult event. The Director also spoke at two Better Homes Clubs, and one church night family emphases on topics such as "Ten Commandments for a Good Marriage". He also led three Family Life Revivals, preached in three churches on a Christian family emphasis, spoke to two Baptist associations on ministering to families and divorce in the pastorate, and conducted three parenting workshops. Slide presentations on Togo and Baptist distinctives were presented in two churches.

Two major focii of the department this year were making available four Domestic Violence Conferences in which the Director offered leadership; also three Divorce Adjustment Workshops were led by Dr. Roger Crook, family life specialist in the area. These were held in each area of the state under the department's sponsorship.

Two planning meetings of the Family Ministry Department, Sunday School Board, were attended in Nashville and Houston. The Southern Baptist Association of Family Ministry was also attended.

Consultants by the director assisting churches, associations, and pastors in their crucial task of strengthening family life were offered. Two conferences for pastor's wives were underwritten by the department.

DEPARTMENT OF AGING

Ministry with Senior Adults in North Carolina has experienced significant growth this year. Churches are becoming increasingly aware of the potential for ministry among older persons. Senior adult leaders received training in several workshops across the state and a number from North Carolina attended the National Seminar on Aging in Atlanta, Georgia in January. In addition, more than 100 pastors participated in the "Pastoring Older Individuals and Their Families" seminars held in April in four locations in the state.

Six conferences/retreats for senior adults were held at Caraway Baptist

Conference Center with more than 800 persons in attendance.

The department continues to cooperate with the Christian Family Life Department in family enrichment conferences with sections for older persons.

Many churches observed senior adult emphasis day.

Department of Christian Citizenship Education

The work of Christian Citizenship Education has focused on the 1985 session of the General Assembly, which convened in February and ran into July. As usual, money matters took center stage, with much time going into the preparation of the state's budget and into debate regarding tax reductions. In addition, the legislature dealt with significant issues affecting the environment, education, alcohol abuse, pornography, gambling, and day care. The Department continued to make legislative news available to Baptists through the Legislative Information Network, made up of nearly 900 people who received regular updates on issues facing the General Assembly. For the first time, summaries of L.I.N. materials were prepared and mailed to all pastors through the Pastor's Monthly Mailing. Some associations took advantage of the opportunity to have an Associational Day at the General Assembly, bringing a group of interested church members to Raleigh to see first-hand the work of the legislature.

World hunger continued to be a matter of great concern to many Baptists. The ongoing crisis of famine in Africa has stirred new awareness of the problems and new generosity in response. In 1984, for the first time, North Carolina Baptists gave a little more than one million dollars through Baptist channels to fight hunger. In 1985 giving is running ahead of 1984. Yet so much remains to be done. While millions face death in Ethiopia, Sudan, Mali, Mozambique, Chad, Niger, and Burkina Faso, our gifts still average less than one dollar per Baptist per year. Please be in prayer

--for the millions facing hunger and starvation,

--for rain to relieve the African drought,

--for caregivers (missionaries and others) who seek to help,

--for ourselves, that our compassion may lead us to greater generosity.

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER REPORT
1985

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee recommends that the seventeenth Annual Meeting of Polk Baptist Association will convene as follows:

Place ..... Cooper's Gap Baptist Church
Time ..... October 23, 1986
Preacher ..... Rev. Steve Hardin
Alternate ..... Rev. John Rogers

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Fred Rhodes, Chairman

RESOLUTION REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1985

The Resolution Committee presents the following resolutions:

1. Resolve that we in Polk Association thank our Midway Church for their warm and hospitable reception today.
2. Resolve that we also express our deep appreciation to Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, and Beulah for making the evening meal and fellowship a memorable occasion;
3. Resolve that we express our grateful appreciation to our Moderator, Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, who has served us untiringly for three years;
4. Resolve that we commend our faithful treasurer, Mrs. Wilma Jolley, who gave so many hours voluntarily during this past year to take care of all our finances;
5. Resolve that we commend our Planning Committee and Building Committee, under the capable supervision of John Godfrey and Howard Phillips in building an office of which we are proud;
6. Resolve that we will try to show our appreciation for our twenty churches in striving to bring in His Kingdom and in service for His glory.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Judy Jackson (C)
Mrs. Jo Ann Moss
Mrs. Miriam Arledge

GENERAL BOARD REPORT FROM POLK BAPTIST REPRESENTATIVE — 1985

The January Meeting was held at the Baptist Building, Cary. Dr. John Bunn, vice-president of the General Board, shared the report of the General Board's Committees report. We elected new officers for 1985. Dr. John Bunn was elected president by acclamation. Roy K. Hodge was elected vice president of the General Board. Miss Ruth Williams was reelected recording secretary.

The Committees of the General Board met on Tuesday afternoon, Tuesday evening, and Wednesday morning to give their reports. Also, Convention Staff members were recognized for years of service. We closed the meeting on Wednesday with special prayer for the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Dallas in June.

Our May meeting was held at Chowan College, Murfreesboro. A committee had been formed in September 1984 to study the Christian Action League. Bill Poe, the Chairman of the committee, brought information concerning the work of the committee. After Committee meetings on Tuesday afternoon these reports were given:

Dr. Bunn brought a recommendation from the Convention Program Committee to consider changing the convention time to convene from Monday evening to Monday noon - afternoon and the time of adjournment from Wednesday noon to Tuesday evening.

Dr. Roy Smith brought closing comments that our convention is healthy and well. We closed with a period of silent prayer for the Southern Baptist Convention.

The September meeting of the General Board was held at Caraway Conference Center. Some of the business matters were:

Dr. John Bunn, Pastor of First Church, Sylva, was elected as Executive Director of Fruitland Bible Institute.

We adopted the 1986 Cooperative Program budget goal of $25,120,000. We also adopted the 1986 North Carolina Missions Offering goal of $1,125,000.

The Board approved a revised covenant relationship between the State Convention and Wake Forest University.

We also adopted program emphases for 1986-1990. There were other actions and recommendations of the General Board.

I certainly have enjoyed my four years on the General Board. It was a joy to represent you at the state level through the General Board.

Pray for Mr. Leroy McCraw your new General Board representative.

Respectfully submitted,
Boyce Bradshaw, Representative

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT FOR POLK BAPTISTS ASSOCIATION FOR 1985

The Lord has been good to us this year. Many things have been accomplished that we thought humanly impossible.

Let us notice first of all the Association has a home all of its own. It is located on Blanton Street in Columbus, N.C. and it is a beautiful place. We have enough room for all the needs of our association.

We are glad that we had a part, along with you, in making this come to pass. I want to thank each one of you for your help. Howard Phillips became Chairman of our Building Committee after Rev. John Godfrey left our association and moved to the Stateline Baptist Church in South Carolina. Howard worked hard and long with his committee working with him. Many hours of volunteer labor were given. Rev. Steve Hardin laid all of our carpet; we had pastors who cut down trees, painted, and put up sheet rock. We had many wonderful laymen in our churches who helped.

When we moved we had more help. Rev. Wesley Price and his father are movers! The W.M.U. ladies made the building so nice and clean. May I say without all of us cooperating this could not have been possible?

We had our first World Mission Conference in April. This was our first to share with you and the comments have been most pleasing. Thank you for a successful conference.

What makes me rejoice more is the increase in our Sunday School enrollment. We had almost 200 more members enrolled this year. Strong Sunday Schools will build Strong Churches! We have a new Director, Rev. Bob Philbeck, pastor of Cooper's Gap Church. We have never had an Assist Team but now we will. Let's make significant growth in the new year.

Our first open field revival was held at Polk Central ball field, and we have heard nothing but praise. Our baptisms are up, and this is something to make our hearts rejoice.

Hopefully there will be many Association Training Sessions led by our Sunday School, Church Training, W.M.U., and Brotherhood in the days ahead. Let's work together in all of our programs. Many of our leaders are attending special meetings to be at the point where they can be helpful to those in our association.

Special Emphases is being put toward revival next April 6 - 13th. There will be Scripture Distribution, People Search, and Prayer sessions in preparation for REVIVAL!

Millie and I want to thank you for all that you have done for us. We enjoy serving you. May God bless you.

Respectfully submitted,
Marshall Simpson

MEMORIALS FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1984 - 85

Each year our Heavenly Father calls some of us Home. This makes Heaven more real to us as we pause and remember how we have been blessed by these who have gone ahead.

Beulah ..... Mrs. Minnie Turner
Big Level ..... Mrs. Leona Wilson Pritchard
Mr. Laxton Jones
Columbus ..... Mr. Lewis Faegan
Mr. Kenneth Constance
Mr. Harold Davis
Mrs. J.F. Ormand
Cooper's Gap ..... Mr. Pose Brown
Mr. Jeff Beane
Mrs. Nanky Ruff
Mrs. Thersa Odel
Deacon Clyde Smith
Mrs. Margaret Shelton
Faith ..... Mr. Ed Moss
Faith Temple ..... None
Green Creek ..... Mr. Floyd Blackwell
Mr. Oliver Horton
Mrs. Eva Lowe
Mrs. Annie Mae Walker
Mrs. Ila Wall
Green River ..... Deacon Oscar Roddy
Deacon James Brackett
Mrs. Dora Green
Mrs. Gertha Scoggins
Mrs. Ethel Deck
Hickory Grove ..... Mr. Earl Steadman
Robert K. Thompson
Midway ..... None
Mill Spring ..... Mrs. Mattie McAbee
Mrs. Nancy Burrell
Mrs. Cleo Blackwell
Morgan Chapel ..... Mr. Buster Denton
Pacolet Hills ..... Miss Ettie Johnson
Mr. Lionel Flynn
Pea Ridge ..... Mrs. Annie Bell Hudson
Peniel ..... Mrs. Gladys Durham
Mr. Collett Owens
Pleasant Grove ..... Mr. Fred Price
Mr. Fletcher McFalls
Mr. W.C. Shults
Sandy Springs ..... Mrs. Marie Jolley
Mrs. Vernell Jolley
Mr. Burton Cantrell

Mr. Dock Cudd
Mr. Grover Biggerstaff
Silver Creek ..... Mr. Michael Sain
Tryon Second ..... Mrs. Stella Burns
Mr. Pearcy Clement
Deacon Edgar Covil
Mr. Ellis Kuykendall
Warrior Mountain ..... None

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Opal Edwards, Representative

HISTORICAL EVENTS IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1984 - 85

Beulah ..... None
Big Level ..... Elected Everette Wallace as pastor
Held open house for Fellowship Hall
Began Deacon Family Ministry
Columbus ..... None
Cooper's Gap ..... None
Faith ..... Purchased cushions for pews
Faith Temple ..... Built new walkway
Started a library
Carpeted two Sunday School Rooms
Green Creek ..... None
Green River ..... None
Hickory Grove ..... Purchased 25 acres of land joining the church
Midway ..... Church Pictorial Directory
Paved Playground and Ballcourt
Mill Spring ..... Bored well for church
Morgan Chapel ..... Purchased new sound system
Air-conditioned Fellowship Building
Bought new chairs and tables
Pacolet Hills ..... None
Pea Ridge ..... Dedication for new church addition
Peniel ..... None
Pleasant Grove ..... Painted the church and all outside buildings
Sandy Springs ..... None
Silver Creek ..... None
Tryon Second ..... Began Construction for new Fellowship Hall
Warrior Mountain ..... Voted to build new Fellowship Hall

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1985 - 86

Beulah ..... Mr. Hugh Champion, Route 2, Box 192, Tryon
Mr. Hoyt Champion, Route 2, Box 37, Tryon
Rev. Dillard Davidson, Route 2, Box 150, Tryon

Big Level ..... Mr. Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale
Mrs. Lou Odel, 418 Wilson Rd., Mill Spring
Rev. E.C. Wallace, 404 Wilson Road, Mill Spring

Columbus ..... Rev. Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus

Cooper's Gap ..... Mr. Henry Steppe, Route 2, Mill Spring
Mr. Grover Whitmire, Route 2, Mill Spring
Rev. Bob Philbeck, Route 2, Mill Spring

Faith ..... Mr. James Owens, Box 1056, Columbus, N.C.
Mr. Hugh Arledge, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C.
Rev. John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring, N.C.

Faith Temple ..... Rev. William Painter, Box 213, Columbus

Green Creek ..... Mr. John Hanson, Route 2, Columbus, N.C.
Mr. E. J. Gregg, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782

Green River ..... Mr. James Deck, Route 4, Rutherfordton
Mr. Joe Miller, Route 1, Rutherfordton
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Route 4, Rutherfordton

Hickory Grove ..... Mr. Charles Pittman, Route 2, Columbus
Rev. John Edwards, Route 2, Columbus

Midway ..... Mr. John Gibbs, Blanton St., Columbus, N.C.
Mrs. Pat Mills, Box 393, Columbus, N.C.
Rev. Wesley Price, Route 1, Box 736, Columbus

Mill Spring ..... Mr. Henry Huntsinger, Route 1, Box 456, Mill Spring
Mr. Ted Pack, Route 1, Mill Spring
Rev. Dewey Price, 447 Hwy. 108, Mill Spring

Morgan Chapel ..... Pastor

Pacolet Hills ..... Mr. Kevin Chitwood, 113 Park Ave., Landrum, S.C.
Rev. Aaron Pruitt, Route 2, Box 1460, Columbus

Pea Ridge ..... Rev. and Mrs. Steve Hardin, Route 1, Mill Spring
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Taylor, Route 1, Mill Spring
Mr. Neeley Hudson, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C.

Peniel ..... Mr. Albert Durham, Route 2, Columbus
Mr. Homer Pittman, Route 2, Columbus
Rev. Mike Davis, Route 2, Box 42, Tryon

Pleasant Grove ..... Rev. Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Rutherfordton

Sandy Springs ..... Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Route 1, Rutherfordton
Rev. George Lynch, Route 2, Box 606, Mill Spring

Silver Creek ..... Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Route 2, Box 90, Mill Spring
Rev. Lee Gregory, Route 2, Box 30, Mill Spring

Tryon Second ..... Mr. Roy Burrell, Box 814, Tryon, N.C.
Mrs. Myrtle Horton, Landrum, S.C.
Rev. David Peterson, 101 McDonald St., Tryon

Warrior Mountain ..... Mr. Donald Byrd, 505 Warrior Mountain Rd., Saluda, N.C. 28773
Rev. Herman Bright, Route 1, Box 284, Zirconia

MESSENGERS ELECTED FOR THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Beulah	Mrs. Clois Jackson, Mrs. Edith Arledge, Mr. and Mrs. William Kersh
Big Level	Rev. and Mrs. E.C. Wallace, Mr. General Haynes, Mrs. Delia Haynes, Mr. Avery Hicks
Columbus	Mrs. Catherine Feagan, Mrs. Opal Cloud, Mrs. Myrtle Masternick, Mrs. Gladys Johnson
Cooper's Gap	Mr. and Mrs. Howard Phillips, Mr. Henry Steppe, Mrs. Coleen Corn, Rev. Paul Stepp, Mrs. Shirley Gilbert, Mr. Calaway Dimsdale, Mrs. Nancy Philbeck, Mr. James Jackson, Mr. Matthew Mason, Mrs. Frances Ruff, Mrs. Maude Gibbs
Faith	Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lins, Rev. and Mrs. John Rogers
Faith Temple	Miss Pearl Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Don Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones
Green Creek	Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Gregg, Mr. and Mrs. Vailon Shytle, Mrs. Shirley Shields, Mrs. Willyene Shields
Green River	Rev. and Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lyles
Hickory Grove	Rev. and Mrs. John Edwards, Mr. Grady Grigg, Mrs. Tessie Stott, Mr. and Mrs. James Stott, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Denton
Midway	Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Price, Mr. John Gibbs, Mrs. Carolyn Mills, Mrs. Suzy Dimsdale, Mrs. Pat Brunch
Mill Spring	Mrs. Ruby Jackson, Mrs. Nannie Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Broadus Fowler
Morgan Chapel	Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Holbert, Mrs. Mary Ruth Upton, Mr. Renso Jones, Rev. Paul Burnette, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fox
Pacolet Hills	Rev. Aaron Pruitt, Mr. Steve Henderson, Mrs. Elsie Chitwood
Pea Ridge	Rev. Steve Hardin, Mr. Neeley Hudson, Mr. Kenneth Edwards
Peniel	Rev. and Mrs. Mike Davis
Pleasant Grove	Rev. and Mrs. Benson Hodge
Sandy Springs	Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Scruggs, Rev. and Mrs. George Lynch

Silver Creek	Mr. and Mrs. Hall Arledge, Mrs. Jean Jackson, Mrs. Genelle Jackson, Rev. and Mrs. Lee Gregory
Tryon Second	Mr. Roy Burrell, Mr. William Whitmire, Rev. David Peterson
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Mary Gravely, Mrs. Jeannie Petitt, Mrs. Betsy Singleton, Rev. and Mrs. Herman Bright

LIST OF PASTORS

Beulah	Dillard Davidson, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782	894-8688
Big Level	Everette Wallace, Route 1, Mill Spring, 28756	625-4607
Columbus	Fred Rhodes, Blanton Street, Columbus, 28722	894-8588
Cooper's Gap	Bob Philbeck, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	625-4676
Faith	John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8063
Faith Temple	William Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722	894-8881
Green Creek	J.L. McCluney, Interim	863-2600
Green River	Boyce Bradshaw, Route 44, Rutherfordton, 28139	863-4344
Hickory Grove	John Edwards, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	863-2544
Midway	Wesley Price, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722	894-3255
Mill Spring	Dewey Price, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8841
Morgan Chapel	Paul Burnett, Interim	859-6744
Pacolet Hills	Aaron Pruitt, Route 2, Columbus, N.C. 28722	
Pea Ridge	Steve Hardin, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8773
Peniel	Mike Davis, Route 2, Box 42, Tryon, N.C. 28782	894-8494
Pleasant Grove	Benson Hodge, 147 Westview St., Rutherfordton	286-9487
Sandy Springs	George Lynch, Interim	625-2627
Silver Creek	Lee Gregory, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	894-8598
Tryon Second	David Peterson, 101 McDonald St., Tryon 28782	859-5368
Warrior Mountain	Herman Bright, Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970	692-8082

A BEGINNING HISTORY OF THE POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

YEAR	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER
1970	Faith and Hickory Grove	W.C. Pate, Sr.	Mrs. J.L. Tallant	W.C. Pate, Jr.
1971	Mill Spring	W.C. Pate, Sr.	Mrs. Faith Ross	Charles Bullard
1972	Pacolet	W.C. Pate, Jr.	Mrs. Larry Stott	Zeb Baker
1973	Silver Creek	W.C. Pate, Jr.	Mrs. Jack Jolley	Nane Starnes
1974	Big Level	W.C. Pate, Jr.	Mrs. Jack Jolley	Luther Osment
1975	Green River	Harold Thompson	Mrs. Jack Jolley	George Lynch
1976	Peniel	Roy Cable	Mrs. Bill Painter	Allen Wilson
1977	Cooper's Gap	Leroy McGraw	Mrs. Bill Painter	Ronnie Gilbert
1978	Beulah	Leroy McGraw	Mrs. Bill Painter	Dillard Davidson
1979	Hickory Grove	Ronnie Gilbert	Mrs. Bill Painter	Benson Hodge
1980	Columbus	John Godfrey	Mrs. Bill Painter	Boyce Bradshaw
1981	Pea Ridge	John Godfrey	Mrs. Bill Painter	George Lynch
1982	Faith	John Godfrey	Mrs. Bill Painter	Lee Gregory
1983	Green River	Boyce Bradshaw	Mrs. Bill Painter	John Edwards
1984	Columbus	Boyce Bradshaw	Mrs. Bill Painter	Wesley Price
1985	Midway	Boyce Bradshaw	Mrs. Bill Painter	Aaron Pruitt

STATISTICAL TABLES

DIGEST OF LETTERS

IMPORTANT: This table is for use by the clerk in any way helpful. It is not to be sent to the state convention office or Southern Baptist Convention office.

NAME OF CHURCH	County	13 Total baptisms	14 Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	18 Grand total present members	21 Number of tithers	26 Church Debt
Beulah	Polk	2	0	256	27	0
Big Level	Polk	14	21	230	43	24413
Columbus	Polk	4	5	423	188	7000
Cooper's Gap	Polk	16	15	397	100	0
Faith	Polk	0	0	178	27	0
Faith Temple	Polk	0	0	77	28	20800
Green Creek (First)	Polk	7	10	368	90	0
Green River	Polk	2	5	197	25	0
Hickory Grove	Polk	5	7	324	41	31383
Midway	Polk	13	0	190	30	20006
Mill Spring (First)	Polk	1	5	280	26	0
Morgan Chapel	Polk	1	2	206	28	0
Pacolet Hills	Polk	6	5	108	17	0
Pea Ridge	Polk	7	12	172	23	17267
Peniel	Polk	0	3	243	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Polk	0	1	148	0	0
Sandy Springs	Polk	3	5	254	33	0
Silver Creek	Polk	3	2	294	36	0
Tryon Second	Polk	0	7	87	20	0
Warrior Mountain	Polk	2	5	81	16	0
TOTALS		86	110	4513	798	120863
TOTALS		86	110	4513	798	120863
PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS		65	84	4547	624	73195

66	71	85	97	113	123	128	139	150
Ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Church Vacation Bible School enrolment	Church Training enrolment	Ongoing Music Ministry enrolment	Ongoing W.M.U. enrolment	Ongoing Brotherhood enrolment	Total receipts	Cooperative Program	Grand total mission expenditures
80	48	13	39	22	48	28866	1907	6133
140	91	54	0	0	17	48137	6000	9625
230	53	43	86	59	18	108310	6909	32866
273	163	83	70	62	74	118436	10242	32273
105	72	53	16	32	9	35775	1290	5739
67	38	23	18	12	0	11968	43	331
289	84	0	67	48	0	80830	5097	12157
113	69	0	19	8	0	42649	1100	7400
213	92	104	18	51	34	85784	4644	9670
157	85	66	52	45	34	50750	1200	9265
87	58	30	26	19	8	30261	1672	3458
68	79	20	22	25	12	37787	3150	6273
56	61	44	31	19	4	25286	1354	3276
127	52	0	50	15	4	34312	265	1857
130	80	0	39	15	0	58971	0	8501
83	44	0	36	0	0	22415	0	1200
114	36	36	35	0	0	45234	3833	7632
120	76	42	32	23	17	46814	2340	8012
52	37	0	0	5	0	21204	1018	2280
57	30	0	23	9	0	24135	2000	4495
2561	1348	611	679	472	268	957924	54064	172443
2561	1348	611	679	472	268	957924	54064	172443
2341	1218	648	678	529	299	905047	46618	134099

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Director of Associational Missions: Marshall Simpson

Address: Box 711 — City: Columbus — State: N.C. — Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County
Beulah	Dillard Davidson,Route 2,Box 150,Tryon,N.C.28782	Polk
Big Level	E.C.Wallace,Jr.404 Wilson Rd. Mill Spring,28756	Polk
Columbus	Fred Rhodes,Box 485,Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Cooper's Gap	Robert Philbeck,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Faith	John Rogers, Box 6, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Faith Temple	William Painter,Box 213, Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Green Creek	None	Polk
Green River	Boyce Bradshaw,Route 4,Rutherfordton,N.C.28139	Polk
Hickory Grove	John Edwards,Route 2, Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Midway	Wesley Price,Route 1,Box 736, Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Mill Spring 1	Dewey Price ,Hwy.108,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Morgan Chapel	Paul Burnette(Interim) Lyman ,S.C. 29365	Polk
Pacolet Hills	Aaron Pruitt,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	Polk
Pea Ridge	Steve Hardin,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	Polk
Peniel	Mike Davis,Route 2,Box 42,Tryon,N.C. 28782	Polk
Pleasant Grove	Benson Hodge,147 Westview St. Rutherfordton,N.C.	Polk
Sandy Springs	George Lynch, Interim,Route 2,Box 606,Mill Sp.	Polk
Silver Creek	O.Lee Gregory,Route 2,Box 30,Mill Spring,N.C.	Polk
Tryon Second	David M.Peterson,101 McDonald St. Tryon,N.C.	Polk
Warrior Mt.	Herman A.Bright,Route 1,Box 185,Zirconia,N.C.	Polk
TOTALS		

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3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property	Total church debt at end of this associational year
1886	1	Y		2	0	6	127	129	256	0	0	60,000	317,000	0
1881	1	Y		14	21	5	189	41	230	0	1	65,000	299,000	24,413
1857	3	Y		4	5	13	296	127	423	0	1	67,816	726,376	7,000
1834	1	Y		16	15	21	310	87	397	3	1	50,000	300,000	0
1967	2	Y		0	0	12	127	51	178	0	4	65,000	170,000	0
1970	1	Y		0	0	1	77	0	77	0	0	0	120,800	20,800
1800	1	Y		7	10	18	288	80	368	0	0	67,500	704,500	0
1875	1	-	N	2	5	7	167	30	197	0	0	75,000	500,000	0
1906	1	Y		5	7	3	230	94	324	0	0	60,000	510,000	31,383
1940	1	Y		13	0	3	138	52	190	0	0	55,000	250,000	20,000
1873	2	Y		1	5	6	202	78	280	0	0	65,000	325,000	0
1909	1	Y		1	2	11	126	80	206	0	0	42,600	357,525	0
1949	1	Y		6	5	0	68	40	108	0	0	0	100,000	0
1926	1	Y		7	12	4	133	39	172	0	0	50,000	175,000	17,267
1920	1	Y		0	3	7	207	36	243	0	1	50,000	265,000	0
1935	1	Y		0	1	8	52	96	148	0	1	0	138,7000	0
1858	1	Y		3	5	12	90	164	254	0	0	50,000	843,681	0
1840	1	Y		3	2	4	209	85	294	0	0	40,000	240,000	0
1924	3	Y		0	7	5	66	21	87	0	0	49,500	187,000	0
1933	1	Y		2	5	1	46	35	81	0	0	0	65,000	0
				86	110	147	3148	1365	4513	3	9	902,416	6,594,582	120,863
				86	110	147	3148	1365	4513	3	9	902,416	6,594,582	120,863
				65	84	121	3257	1290	4547	6	2	828,000		73,195

1—Open Country
2—Village (under 500 pop.)
3—Town (500-2499)
4—Small City (2,500-9,999)
Medium City (10,000-49,000)
5—Downtown
6—Neighborhood
7—Suburban
Large City (50,000 or more)
8—Downtown
9—Neighborhood
0—Suburban

TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Study School Director: Rev. Robert Philbeck

Address: Route 2 — City: Mill Spring — State: N.C. — Zip: 28756

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	54 Cradle Roll enrollment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrollment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)
Beulah	Gene Green,Box 777,Columbus,N.C. 28722	1	6	5	10
Big Level	Bruce Odel,418 Wilson Road,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	10	21	11
Columbus	Mrs.Catherine Fagan,Box 485,Columbus 28722	0	18	26	37
Cooper'sGap	Rodney Bumgardner,Route 2, Mill Spring,N.C.	0	26	52	26
Faith	William Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C,	0	12	13	12
Faith Temple	Roger Painter,Route 1,Mill Spring,28756	1	9	17	9
Green Creek	Huey Fagan,Route 2,Box1648,Columbus,28722	0	26	33	20
Green River	Buford Harris,Route 4, Rutherfordton,28139	6	8	15	17
Hickory Grove	Eugene McSwain,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	22	27	26
Midway	Gene Dimsdale,Houston Road,Columbus,N.C.	0	12	23	19
Mill Spring F.	Michael Pack, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	4	7	10	8
Morgan Chapel	Roy Laughter,Route 3,Campobello,S.C..29322	0	2	7	12
Pacolet Hills	Lewis Flynn,Route 2, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	4	7	10
Pea Ridge	Preston Bowyer,Route 1, Mill Spring,28756	0	20	12	17
Peniel	Dean Horton,Route 2, Tryon,N.C. 28782	5	11	18	6
Pleasant Grove	Jerry Lawter,630 Edgerton Rd.Mill Spring	2	4	9	10
Sandy Springs	Leroy McCraw,Route 1,Rutherfordton,28139	0	6	15	20
Silver Creek	Mrs. Miriam Arledge,Route 2,Box 94 Mill S.	4	7	29	18
Tryon Second	William Whitmire,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	2	6	3
Warrior Mount.	Gary Conner, 100 Earley Road,Saluda,N.C.	0	5	7	9
TOTALS		23	217	352	300
TOTALS		23	217	352	300
PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS		34	190	316	330

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58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73
Young Adult enrollment – Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrollment – Married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrollment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrollment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrollment	Homebound enrollment	General officers enrollment	Enrollment of missions of church	Total ongoing Sunday School enrollment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Bible Study groups enrollment	Total enrollment in Bible Study	Number ethnic Sunday School members	Church V.B.S. enrollment	Mission V.B.S. enrollment	Backyard Bible Club enrollment
15	0	25	18	0	0	0	0	80	50	0	80	0	48	0	0
12	8	51	23	0	0	4	0	140	85	0	140	1	91	0	0
7	37	49	27	0	0	4	0	205	96	25	230	0	53	0	0
20	56	42	44	0	0	7	0	273	161	0	273	0	163	0	0
6	10	25	25	0	0	2	0	105	49	0	105	0	72	0	0
3	6	9	5	0	0	8	0	67	25	0	67	0	38	0	0
20	24	90	74	0	0	2	0	289	161	0	289	0	84	0	0
0	33	15	16	0	0	3	0	113	62	0	113	0	69	0	0
15	27	50	20	0	0	26	0	213	156	0	213	0	92	0	0
0	0	60	30	3	0	0	0	157	75	0	157	0	85	0	0
8	14	15	16	0	0	5	0	87	35	0	87	0	58	0	0
0	0	20	25	0	0	2	0	68	45	0	68	0	79	0	0
0	7	10	12	3	1	2	0	56	48	0	56	0	61	0	0
0	0	22	45	0	11	0	0	127	69	0	127	0	52	0	0
11	4	49	25	0	0	1	0	130	70	0	130	0	80	0	0
6	18	26	13	0	3	2	0	83	60	0	83	0	44	0	0
8	10	16	36	0	0	3	0	114	53	0	114	0	36	0	0
10	14	14	21	0	0	3	0	120	79	0	120	0	76	0	0
4	2	14	16	0	4	1	0	52	23	0	52	0	37	0	0
2	10	5	4	0	0	0	15	57	33	0	57	0	30	0	0
147	280	607	485	16	19	75	15	2536	1435	25	2561	1	1348	00	0
147	280	607	485	16	19	75	15	2536	1435	25	2561	1	1348	0	0
181	262	511	391	5	10	83	28	2341	1525	0	2341	0	1218	0	0

TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 — 74

Association: POLK (Month & Day)

State: North Carolina

Associational Church Training Director: Rev. William Painter

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESS (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under – not in school)
Beulah	Rev. Dillard Davidson,Route 2,Box 150,Tryon,N.C.28782	1
Big Level	Miss Alesa Bradley,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	2
Columbus	None	0
Cooper's Gap	Howard Phillips,Route 1,Box 500,Lake Lure,N.C.28746	4
Faith	John Lynch, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Faith Temple	Jeff Reid, Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	5
Green Creek	None	0
Green River	None	0
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Elizabeth Burrell,Route 2,Columbus,N.C.28722	10
Midway	Rev. Wesley Price,Route 1,Box736,Columbus,28722	7
Mill Spring,First	Mrs. Betty Jackson,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Bernice Holbert,1520 Rutherford Rd. Landrum,S.C.	0
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Dianne Bradley,Route 1,Box 210,Landrum,29356	2
Pea Ridge	None	0
Peniel	None	0
Pleasant Grove	None	0
Sandy Springs	None	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Jenelle Jackson,Route 2,Box 63,Mill Spring,N.C.	2
Tryon Second	None	0
Warrior Mountain	None	0
TOTALS		33

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PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS 38

75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
Children enrollment (6-11 years or graoes 1-6	Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrollment (18 and over)	Equipping Centers enrollment	N.C.M.T./Survial Kit enrollment	MasterLife enrollment	Other enrollment	Hold File enrollment	General officers enrollment	Enrollment of mission(s) of church	Total Church Training enrollment	Baptist Doctrine Study Y=Yes N=No
0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	No
7	13	29	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	54	Yes
0	16	0	25	0	0	0	0	2	0	43	No
25	14	8	30	0	0	0	0	2	0	83	No
3	8	40	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	53	No
0	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	23	Yes
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
7	32	50	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	104	No
14	4	40	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	66	Yes
6	8	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	30	No
5	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	20	Yes
3	8	19	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	44	No
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
0	15	20	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	36	No
7	8	22	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	42	Yes
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Yes
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Yes
77	134	276	55	0	0	10	0	26	0	611	
77	134	276	55	0	0	10	0	26	0	611	
84	93	283	7	38	0	33	52	10	0	648	

TABLE D MUSIC MINISTRY — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day) — 87

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Music Director: Mt. James Rogers, Route 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323

Address — City — State — Zip

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Preschool enrollment (4-5 years)
Beulah	David Jackson, Route 2, Box 55, Tryon, N.C. 28782	2
Big Level	Rev. Robert Sensing, 519 Powell Rd. Mill Spring, N.C.	0
Columbus	Mrs. Doris Corley, Box 485, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0
Cooper's Gap	Michael Wilson, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	2
Faith	Mrs. Judy Jackson, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	0
Faith Temple	Mrs. Jean Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722	5
Green Creek	James Rogers, Route 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323	6
Green River	Ricky Evans, Box 293, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0
Hickory Grove	Dennis Benton, Gardner-Webb College	0
Midway	Mrs. Pat Bunch, Route 1, Box 373 Columbus, N.C. 28722	8
Mill Spring	Mrs. Carol McKee, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0
Morgan Chapel	Miss Anna Mathis, Route 1, Campobello, S.C. 29322	0
Pacolet Hills	Kevin Chitwood, 113 Park Ave. Landrum, S.C. 29356	0
Pea Ridge	Earl Taylor, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756	7
Peniel	Bob Holbert, Route 1, Box 110A, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0
Pleasant Grove	Lawrence Bradley, Route 2, Box 596, Mill Spring, 28756	6
Sandy Springs	Rev. Terry Pleasant, Route 9, Box 90, Inman, S.C. 29349	3
Silver Creek	Mrs. JoAnn Moss, Route 2, Box 11, Mill Spring, N.C.	0
Tryon Second	Jesse Mills, Route 2, Box 310, Tryon, N.C. 28782	0
Warrior Mountain	Delia Ann Byrd, 505 Warrior Mt. Road, Saluda, N.C. 28773	0
TOTALS		39

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PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS 30

88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98
Children enrollment (6-8 years or grades 1-3)	Children enrollment (9-11 years or grades 4-6)	Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrollment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrollment	Vocal ensembles enrollment	Instrumental ensembles enrollment	General music leaders enrollment	Enrollment of Missionis of church	Total ongoing Music Ministry enrollment	Senior adult music enrollment
2	0	10	15	0	4	0	6	0	39	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	8	0	25	25	18	0	5	0	86	0
7	6	12	25	0	12	0	6	0	70	0
0	0	3	10	0	0	0	3	0	16	0
2	0	0	8	0	0	0	3	0	18	0
8	8	6	31	0	4	1	3	0	67	0
0	0	0	16	0	0	0	3	0	19	0
0	0	0	15	0	0	0	3	0	18	0
4	5	4	22	0	5	0	4	0	52	0
3	3	6	10	0	0	0	4	0	26	0
0	0	0	19	0	0	0	3	0	22	0
2	6	8	10	0	2	0	3	0	31	0
8	0	0	30	0	0	0	5	0	50	0
0	0	3	20	10	0	0	1	0	39	0
0	0	15	11	0	0	0	4	0	36	0
2	2	3	18	1	0	3	3	0	35	0
4	5	0	20	0	0	0	3	0	32	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	2	10	0	0	0	2	8	23	0
47	44	77	315	36	45	4	64	8	679	
47	44	77	315	36	45	4	64	8	679	
69	39	90	331	28	31	2	64	4	678	

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day) — 99

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational WMU Director: Mrs. Miriam Arledge

Address: Route 2 Box 94 — City: Mill Spring — State: N.C. — Zip: 28773

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Mission Friends (5 years and under - not in school)
Beulah	Mrs. Doris Champion,Route 2 Box 40,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0
Big Level	None	0
Columbus	Mrs. Myrtle Masternick,Box 485,Columbus,N.C. 28722	1
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Joyce Jackson,Route 2, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	1
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley,Route 1,Box 1112,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0
Faith Temple	Mrs. Eleanor Cantrell,519 Screven Rd. Tryon,N.C. 28782	0
Green Creek	Mrs. Callie Jackson,Route 2,Box 1734,Columbus,N.C.	0
Green River	Mrs. Doris Bradshaw,Route 4, Rutherfordton,N.C.28139	0
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Marlene Fisher,5 Oaks Development,Landrum,S.C.	1
Midway	Mrs. Jane Atkins,Route 1,Box 487,Columbus,N.C.28722	1
Mill Spring First	Mrs. Margie Price,Hwy.108,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Anna Campbell,Route 1, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Elsie Chitwood,Boyce Street,Landrum,S.C.29356	1
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Ginger Holbert,Route 1,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0
Peniel	Mrs. Deanna Durham,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0
Pleasant Grove	None	0
Sandy Springs	None	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Patsy Williams,Route 2,Box 67,Mill Spring,N.C.	1
Tryon Second	None	0
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd,505 Warrior Mountain Road,Saluda	0
TOTALS		6

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PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS 12

100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113
Number of Organizations						Enrollment							
Girls in action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrollment
0	1	1	1	1	4	0	0	5	5	10	2	0	22
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	5	12	10	10	15	10	6	0	59
1	1	1	2	0	6	9	12	6	5	21	9	0	62
1	1	0	1	0	3	0	5	13	0	13	1	0	32
0	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	1	3	6	2	0	12
1	1	1	1	0	4	0	6	14	11	12	5	0	48
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	8
2	1	1	1	0	6	5	11	7	13	7	8	0	51
2	1	0	1	1	6	12	11	6	0	15	1	0	45
0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	6	0	10	3	0	19
1	1	0	1	0	3	0	3	4	0	17	1	0	25
0	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	7	0	6	3	0	19
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	14	1	0	15
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	14	1	0	15
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	5	3	6	0	0	10	3	1	23
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	5
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	9
11	12	6	17	3	55	44	68	79	52	180	49	0	472
11	12	6	17	3	55	44	68	79	52	180	49	0	472
13	11	5	15	2	58	75	83	72	64	180	55	0	529

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Brotherhood Director: Mr. Howard Phillips

Address: Route 1,Box 500 — City: Lake Lure — State: N.C. — Zip: 28746

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)
Beulah	Mr. Gene Green, Box 777, Columbus,N.C. 28722
Big Level	Mr. Dwight Lynch, Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756
Columbus	Mr. Ned Whitmire,Columbus,N.C. 28722
Cooper's Gap	Mr. Howard Phillips, Route 1,Box 500,Lake Lure,N.C.
Faith	Mr. James Owens, Box 1056,Blanton Street,Columbus
Faith Temple	None
Green Creek	None
Green River	None
Hickory Grove	Mr. Bryon Martin,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722
Midway	Mr. Gene Dimsdale,Houston Road, Columbus,N.C. 28722
Mill Spring First	None
Morgan Chapel	None
Pacolet Hills	None
Pea Ridge	Rev. Roy Page, Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756
Peniel	None
Pleasant Grove	None
Sandy Springs	None
Silver Creek	Mr. Charles Jones, Route 1,Tryon,N.C. 28782
Tryon Second	None
Warrior Mountain	None
TOTALS	

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114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123
Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrollment-Basic	Baptist Men enrollment-Prayer	Baptist Men enrollment-Mission Action	Baptist Men enrollment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	Enrollment of missions of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrollment
6	4	2	20	0	5	0	1	0	48
0	0	0	0	0	0	14	3	0	17
4	6	2	4	0	0	9	1	0	18
16	19	3	24	10	0	0	2	0	74
0	0	0	8	0	0	0	1	0	9
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	9	4	12	0	0	0	3	0	34
5	3	1	12	0	12	0	1	0	34
0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	8
0	0	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	12
0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	4
0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	6	2	6	0	1	1	1	0	17
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	51	15	107	10	18	16	15	0	268
36	51	15	107	10	18	16	15	0	268
58	49	15	136	16	7	2	16	0	299

125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135
Designated Gifts Offerings, etc	Total tithes, all offerings and special gifts	All other receipts	Total Receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Chruch staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
2000	28271	595	28866	0	3870	5464	0	1510	9561	20405
1618	46854	1683	48137	0	12100	0	4800	2798	4471	24169
32117	108310	0	108310	7000	42268	33000	0	3628	13511	98407
16389	118436	0	118436	0	34806	0	0	3723	76865	115395
12429	35775	0	35775	0	14331	0	0	1167	10107	25605
4465	11968	0	11968	0	4680	75	4422	264	1935	11366
4330	79830	1000	80830	0	27097	0	0	2100	15822	45019
5107	42649	0	42649	0	20808	0	0	1027	7696	29531
19194	85540	244	85784	35000	24762	0	4700	3704	25475	58641
1409	50750	0	50750	0	17706	0	10094	2218	11683	41701
925	30261	0	30261	0	15250	0	0	975	0	26457
5577	37203	584	37787	0	17205	0	0	801	11532	29538
5940	25286	0	25286	0	11975	0	0	940	6250	19165
1004	33914	398	34312	0	16836	0	9875	699	2001	29431
0	58971	0	58971	0	16900	0	0	860	0	17760
0	22415	0	22415	0	7360	1099	0	322	3040	11821
8673	45234	0	45234	0	17905	0	0	462	12000	30363
1308	46814	0	46814	0	20020	0	0	2000	14200	36220
6340	20824	380	21204	0	9230	9371	0	472	5095	24198
4135	24135	0	24135	0	3430	0	0	700	2500	6630
132960	953040	4884	957924	42000	337539	49009	33861	30370	233744	701732
132960	953040	4884	957924	42000	337539	49009	33861	30370	233744	701732
138026	888252	16795	905047	57952	325877	158808	15019	29923	181205	707504

ABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Treasurer: Mrs. Wilma Jolley

Address: Route 1 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	TREASURER & ADDRESSES (INCLUDES ZIP CODE)	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of undesignated receipts	23 Associational mission goal as percent of undesignated receipts	124 Undesignated gifts, offerings, etc
Beulah	Mr. Hoyt Champion,Route 2,Box 37,Tryon,N.C	27	8	5	26271
Big Level	Mrs. Lou Odel,418 Wilson Road,Mill Spring	43	15	5	44836
Columbus	Mr.Hubert McIntyre,Columbus,N.C. 28722	188	10	2	76193
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Nellie Bennett,Route 2,Mill Spring	100	10	5	102047
Faith	Mrs. Judy Arledge,Route 2,Mill Spring,N.C.	27	0	0	23346
Faith Temple	Mr. Jeff Reid,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C.	28	2	1	7503
Green Creek	Mr.Bill White,Route 2,Box1740,Columbus	90	0	0	75500
Green River	Mr.James Deck,Route 4,Rutherfordton,28139	25	3	2	37542
Hickory Grove	Mr.Otis Powell,Landrum,S.C. 29356	41	7	4	66346
Midway	Mr. John Gibbs,Box 43,Columbus,N.C. 28722	30	2+	2+	49341
Mill Spring,F.	Mr.Henry Huntsinger,Route 1Box 563,Mill Sp.	26	4	2	29336
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Rachel Dill,Route 3,Campobello,29322	28	10	1	31626
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott,Box 283,Landrum,S.C.	17	7	3	19346
Pea Ridge	Mr. Kenneth Edwards,Bradley Road,Mill Sp,	23	4	0	32910
Peniel	Mr. Albert Durham,Route 2,Columbus,N.C.	0	0	0	58971
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Phillip Bailey,Route 3,Box 433A,Ruther.	0	0	0	22415
Sandy Springs	Mrs.Edna McCraw,Route 1,Rutherfordton,28139	33	6	4	36561
Silver Creek	Mrs. Loyd Jackson,Route 2,Box90,Mill Sp.	36	5+	5	45506
Tryon Second	Mrs. Myrtle Horton,Landrum,S.C. 29356	20	7	3	14484
Warrior Mount.	Mrs. Shirley Anderson,Box 194, Saluda,N.C.	16	10	5	20000
TOTALS		798			820080
	TOTALS	798			820080
	PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS	624			750226

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TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Associational Clerk: Mrs. Jean Painter

Address: Box 213 City: Columbus State: N.C. Zip: 28722

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDES ZIP CODE)	136 CHURCH SPONSORED: Money paid out on new construction during the year	137 CHURCH SPONSORED: All other church sponsored mission expenditures
Beulah	Mr. Hoyt Champion, Route 2, Box 37, Tryon, N.C.	0	0
Big Level	Mrs. Emma Hicks, 716 Rock Springs Rd. Mill Sp.	0	0
Columbus	Mrs. Martha Hill, Columbus, N.C. 28722	174	20145
Cooper's Gap	Mrs. Pat McGuinn, Route 2, Box 634, Mill Sp. 28756	3057	5389
Faith	Mrs. Wilma Jolley, Route 1, Box 1112, Columbus	0	0
Faith Temple	Mrs. Doris Blackwell, Route 2, Box 18, Tryon, 28782	0	0
Green Creek	Mrs. Shirley Burrell, Route 1, Box 117, Tryon, N.C.	0	0
Green River	Mrs. Pauline Henson, Route 2, Box 216, Tryon	0	0
Hickory Grove	Mrs. Doris Steadman, Route 2, Box 1481, Columbus	0	0
Midway	Mrs. Pat Mills, Box 393, Columbus, N.C. 28722	0	0
Mill Springs, First	Mrs. Hazel Huntsinger, Box 563, Mill Spring, N.C.	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Mrs. Ann Fox, Route 1, Box 35, Campobello, S.C. 29322	0	0
Pacolet Hills	Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott, Route 1, Box 283, Lanerum, S.C.	0	0
Pea Ridge	Mrs. Jeannette Rickman, 211 Rock Springs Rd. Mill	0	0
Peniel	Mr. Bob Holbert, Route 1, Box 110 A, Tryon, 28782	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Thelma Bailey, 413 Edgerton Rd. Mill Spring	0	0
Sandy Springs	Mrs. Mary Scruggs, Route 2, Box 2100, Columbus	0	0
Silver Creek	Mrs. Boyce Jackson, Route 2, Box 63, Mill Spring	0	0
Tryon Second	Miss Jeannie C. Burrell, Box 814 Tryon, N.C. 28782	0	0
Warrior Mountain	Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd, 505 Warrior Mt. Rd. Saluda	0	0
TOTALs			
	TOTALS		
	PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS		

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138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150
MISSIONS		OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	State missions	SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	SB Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	SB Hospitals	SB Homes for the aged	All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
0	1907	1677	0	690	1020	0	75	0	0	864	4226	6133
0	6000	2150	0	217	708	0	0	0	0	0	3075	9625
20319	6909	1623	304	1121	2590	0	0	0	0	0	5638	32866
8446	10242	5032	894	2132	4286	0	0	0	0	1232	13581	32273
0	1290	1788	221	380	954	0	0	0	0	1106	4449	5739
0	43	125	0	0	63	0	0	0	0	100	288	331
0	5097	1000	412	535	2565	0	0	0	0	2548	6060	12157
0	1100	700	72	268	593	0	20	0	0	4647	6300	7400
0	4644	2653	258	526	1467	0	0	0	0	120	5025	9670
0	1200	1200	0	494	529	0	0	0	0	4642	8065	9265
0	1672	576	150	400	660	0	0	0	0	0	1686	3458
0	3150	300	150	450	1107	0	0	0	0	1116	3123	6273
0	1354	680	135	423	602	0	90	0	0	515	1922	3276
0	265	500	0	50	377	0	200	200	0	0	1592	1857
0	0	1200	0	0	5000	0	500	500	0	2501	8501	8501
0	0	850	0	0	200	0	400	0	0	0	1200	1200
0	3833	1599	274	313	862	0	0	0	0	801	3849	7632
0	2340	1800	750	617	1505	0	0	0	0	1000	5672	8012
0	1018	513	0	204	145	0	0	0	0	400	1262	2280
0	2000	1000	375	400	360	0	0	0	0	360	2495	4495
	54064	26766	3995	9270	25693	0	1195	700	0	21946	85241	172443
	54064	26766	3995	9270	25693	0	1195	700	0	21946	85241	172443
	46618	23716	3893	10602	27372	0	1705	484	50	15757	84788	134099

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING Sept. 30, 1985 (Month & Day)

Association: POLK

State: North Carolina

Moderator: Rev. O.Lee Gregory

Address: Route 2 Box 30 City: Mill Spring State: N.C. Zip: 28756

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year
Beulah	Mr.Hugh Champion,Route 2,Box 192,Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0
Big Level	Mr.Gary McGuinn,811 Wilson Road,Mill Spring,N.C.28756	0	0	0
Columbus	Mr.Hubert McEntyre,Box 485, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Cooper's Gap	Mr. Ted Owens, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Faith	Mr. Jack L.Jolley,Route 1,Box 1112,Columbus,N.C.28722	0	0	0
Faith Temple	Mr.Robert Painter,Route 1,Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0
Green Creek	Mr.Bill Calton, Route 4, Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0	0	0
Green River	Mr. Buford Harris,Route 4,Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0	0	0
Hickory Grove	Mr.Charles Pittman,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Midway	Mr. William Mills, Route 1, Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Mill Spring,First	Mr. Ted Pack, Route 1, Mill Spring,N.C. 28756	0	0	0
Morgan Chapel	Mr. Dale Fox, Route 1,Box 35,Campobello,S.C. 29322	0	0	0
Pacolet Hills	Mr. Clifford Stott,Route 2,Columbus,N.C. 28722	0	0	0
Pea Ridge	Mr. Kenneth Edwards,Bradley Road,Mill Spring,28756	0	0	0
Peniel	Mr. Robert Durham,Route 1, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0
Pleasant Grove	Mr.Alvin Bailey ,413 Edgerton Road,Mill Spring,28756	0	0	0
Sandy Springs	Mr. Leroy McCraw,Route 1, Rutherfordton,N.C. 28139	0	0	0
Silver Creek	Mr. Loyd Jackson,Route 2,Box 90,Mill Spring,N.C.	0	0	0
Tryon Second	Mr. Roy Burrell,Box 814, Tryon,N.C. 28782	0	0	0
Warrior Mountain	Mr. Gene Anderson, Box 194, Saluda,N.C. 28773	0	0	0
	TOTALS			
	PREVIOUS YEAR TOTALS			

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31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53
											Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc.? Y = Yes N = No											
No. other-type missions currently operating	No. New Sunday School Members	Day Care enrollment	($) Annie Armstrong Offering	Number of families committed to strengthen Families emphasis	N = none TV = TV R = radio B = both	No. in Sunday School but not church member	College student baptisms	N = NAS K = KJ I = NIV O = Other	Number enrolled in special ministries	Number of black members	Church Council	BTN	Start–A–Church	Volunteer Chaplaincy	Automated data processing	Christian Life Committee	Begin visitation program	Family enrichment project	Students in Baptist Schools	Annuity Board Sunday	B.M.T. prayer activities	State paper in budget
0	0	0	690	0	N	0	0	KJ	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
0	30	0	217	0	N	0	0	KJ	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
0	0	0	1121	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	73	0	2132	15	N	10	1	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	4	0	380	0	N	9	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
0	0	0	0	0	N	0	0	O	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
0	24	0	535	0	N	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
0	0	0	268	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	510	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
0	36	0	494	0	NO	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	6	0	400	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
0	0	0	450	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	10	0	423	0	N	10	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
0	0	0	50	0	N	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	0	0	N	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	0	0	N	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	0	0	313	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	2	0	617	0	N	6	0	K	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
0	0	0	204	0	N	0	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	4	0	400	0	N	6	0	K	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
0	189	0	9204	15		41	1															
0	189	0	9204	15		41	1															
1	94	0	10552	0																		